

Behind the headlines

Mr Chris Patten's address to the Assistant Masters and Mistresses Association in Cardiff last week (see page 16) made banner headlines for two reasons.

The first gift to the media was in the second paragraph to the speech – always a good place to lob in a small grenade: "The past year has been a wretched one for all of us in education," he said. "It has raised question marks over the way we organize, deliver and pay for education in Britain. Those questions need to be answered, and answered before long, if we are to avoid stunting our national talents in a way bound to enfeeble our future economic performance. Even more important, unless we sort these questions out soon we shall risk the creation of a job society and an impoverished culture." Taken together, these three sentences do not add up to an accusation that the schools or any particular group of teachers have created "a job society" (a particularly odious phrase for an education minister to invent) but the emotive language was a mischief-making attempt to grab the headlines. If Mr Patten did not know how it would be used by the popular press, someone should have told him.

The second news story came in Mr Patten's very brief reference to ways of organizing the education system other than the present form of partnership between central and local government. What he said was: "The way we organize education in Britain is not the only way the job can be done. Other countries have a national service, centrally directed and controlled (our italics)."

By the time this had been digested by the newspapers, radio and TV, it turned into a threat held over the teachers that if they did not behave, education would be nationalized and the Government would put them in their place. There is no way of reading his actual words which can endow them with any such reading – though Mr Patten clearly leans towards centralism rather than localist solutions (to use the distinctions set up by the Layfield Committee on local government finance a few years ago). Indeed, what he was talking about was not the centralized administration of the schools system, but more direct control over the spending of public money by local authorities. If Mr Patten's speech constituted a threat to anyone it was not the teachers but the local education authorities. Paragraph 26 and 27 say it all: it is another instalment in the DES campaign against the funding of education through the Rate Support Grant; another broadside in favour

of more specific grants for programmes of local authority spending managed directly by the DES.

At present, only about 1 per cent of education spending by local authorities is financed by specific grants (ESG). This percentage will increase when the 1986 Education Bill becomes law and there is direct DES funding for in-service training. An inter-departmental group set up after the publication of the Green Paper on local government finance is now looking at specific grants in general, in the face of DES arguments for more of them and objections from the Environment Department and the Treasury. Mr Patten's speech must be read as part of the DES campaign, like his proposals referred to last week for a network of 50 directly-administered schools "Give the DES the resources with which to make its own path-finding policies," he is saying. "Don't leave us carrying the can but powerless to do anything off our own bat."

Why did the newspapers, radio and TV automatically conclude that this was an attack on the teachers? Mainly because that is what they think ministers always mean – no matter how many times Sir Keith Joseph tells the teachers he loves them (as at Scarborough last week) it never gets reported. And sure enough the teachers also interpreted Mr Patten's remarks as hostile to them.

Traditionally, the National Union of Teachers has always sided with the local authorities against centralist policies for education. This reflects a conservative tradition which has not been seriously challenged till now and does not necessarily represent a serious rejection of some other financial set up which gave more influence to the DES without emasculating the local authorities. After all, when the general grant was introduced in place of percentage grants, the NUT's conservatism was opposed to the change which has produced the status quo. So too was the Labour Party which for many years promised to reintroduce percentage grants.

The conjuring trick which anyone has to bring off if they want to reform the finance of education is to increase the DES initiative without killing initiative among the local authorities. If ESGs were increased beyond a certain limit, no local authority would do anything new without a special grant. And because ESGs only redistribute existing funds, if the 10-15 per cent of the education budget now being talked of were handed out in this way, clear-cut tracks of the service such as capitation or transport or school meals would have to be taken to the centre and this would restrict the DES

scope for sponsoring change to those chosen areas. Some sort of education block grant or percentage grant looks much more promising but this still arouses strong hostility elsewhere in the Government and from the local authorities.

The local authorities will note Mr Patten's views with horror – the last of the Conservative shires no less than the Labour cities – because they are couched in the uncompromising political terms of the man in Whitehall who knows best and intends to make that his boast to the electors.

The drive for centralism is mainly fuelled by the frustrations of ministers and of the DES, whose indirect role is treated with contempt by "real" ministries and "real" agencies like the Manpower Services Commission. There is, however, something inherently unsatisfactory in a financial system which so completely separates decisions about Government policy from decisions about local spending. It makes no sense at a time when the political parties are polarized and, as usual, the opposition parties call the tune locally. Nobody disputes that the conventions which used to govern local-central relationships have broken down. (They may dispute who is responsible.) But the breakdown having taken place, can the former tradition of indirect rule be sustained? Can Humpty-Dumpty be reassembled? Mr Patten is probably right in thinking a new deal on educational finance is necessary if the show is to get back on the road.

But the last thing the Government should want to do is to nationalize every local cause of disputation. If the Government were the direct employer of the teachers there is absolutely no reason to believe that they would be easier to manage than they are under a decentralized system, nor yet that appraisal would be easier to introduce. Appraisal depends on the teachers to make it work; without their goodwill there is no way of getting a useful appraisal scheme in place.

The trouble with the red herring of nationalization is that it seems to offer yet another structural solution to difficulties which are not soluble by structural change. Changes of structure are always attractive to politicians because they seem to offer *presto* answers. Making existing structures work is less exciting but usually more effective.

Apart from the headlines, it wasn't a bad speech. It remains a pity Mr Patten made that reference to the job society: it will take him a long time to live it down.

COMMENT

High noon for students

Sir Keith Joseph's instant and angry response to the National Advisory Body proposals for cuts of some 9,500 polytechnic and college student places is a good indication of the game of political bluff and double bluff that is now embarked on. And on this front of the educational battleground, it is the A level students now in our sixth-forms who join their younger brothers and sisters at GCSE age as victims of prolonged, inextinguishable uncertainty.

Since the workings of the enigmatically named NAB are unlikely to be well understood by everyone in the public domain now likely to join in the argument, it would be useful to be clear on the background to this week's emotive figures.

Financial decisions on higher education have to be taken at three levels, and the first is how much money is to be made available to the University Grants Committee and to NAB. Each of these bodies then has to make policy decisions, in the event of real cuts, as to whether maintaining student numbers or the amount spent for each student should be the priority. Only after decisions have been made at both those levels can consequent cuts be apportioned fairly (or unfairly) through the system.

When the Government's economic policies first hit higher education in 1981 the UGC, of course, firmly opted



Teesside Polytechnic

for maintaining the unit of resource as a guarantee of quality and cut student numbers. Since then, as the number of qualified applicants has reached its peak, the public sector has been saving the Government from the unpopular consequences of its policy – and the letter of the Robbins principle – by packing in displaced seekers after degrees.

But this time round, in response partly to the professionals' pleas on quality control, and partly to the local authority leaders' instinct for political brinkmanship, the NAB committee has decided that the unit of resource should not be allowed to slip any further, and should indeed be restored to 1985 levels rather than pegged at this year's. It was further decided that cuts in student places should be concentrated on full-time degree work, since universities offer an alternative source of degrees, and that they should be spread evenly across the regions.

The cuts proposed by NAB officers flow from those decisions. They are

freely acknowledged as up for argument and counter-proposal, and in the end hinged to whether the autumn's public spending White Paper confirms expectations on higher education money, as well as to the Secretary of State's approval.

The NAB committee has now publicly flung down the gauntlet by saying that Government policies inescapably mean that some young people must lose their chance of higher education. The current high profile of education policy, and the volatile state of back-bench opinion, have led to it being picked up unexpectedly quickly. But will any concessions come in time to relieve sixth-formers of months of worry?

Examining motives

The unions could not complain that they were ignored by the media this Easter. If anything they must have wondered whether so much exposure was not a mixed blessing. On the positive side, they got across the message that they really are extremely fed up. On the negative side, there is a limit to the amount of self-pity the public is prepared to put up with. Beyond a certain point, reasonable complaints turn into whinging.

Where they did themselves most harm was in threatening to take action on exams. The NUT was on dangerous ground with its resolution to teach the old GCSE and CSE syllabuses when

these have become obsolete. The NAS/UWT, too, was unwise to discuss direct action against examinations while the A-level negotiations have yet to get under way. Having entered these talks voluntarily and agreed to work normally in the meantime, the least the NAS/UWT can do is to refrain from the kind of threats which spoiled their Scarborough meeting. Worst of all they were also reinforcing hostile images of themselves among parents and the public at large.

The message that parent groups seem much more prepared to accept is that the new exam should not go ahead this year while it remains under-prepared and under-financed; and on the matter of money particularly there is little division between the teacher unions and their employers.

Although Sir Keith Joseph can point out that previous examinations were launched without the preparation and money now being called for, local authorities could equally claim that they had a free hand on capitation to launch O levels and CSE, before rate-capping, targets and penalties made them depend on central hand-outs.

no comment

"270. Any other urgent and relevant business." (c) *Security of Toilet Rolls*. A report was submitted on a pilot scheme being undertaken at a comprehensive school. From minutes of the January meeting of the Walsall Central Health and Safety Committee (27.1.85).

Second opinion

Why parents have lost all patience

For parents and children like sadness can have come from teachers conferences this Easter. Parents had awaited the conference hoping to see signs of change or improvement in the present situation. Instead, the dispute has now moved from professional argument to public alighting. We are now witness and unwilling and unnecessary to which the Secretary of State for Education continues to ignore the mounting catastrophe and chooses instead to tease and goad teachers and parents while the teachers for their part become more deeply divided and used to have lost the initiative.

Individual parents know of the children's schools, and nearly everyone else, that the profound crisis in education.

Moreover, whatever the failings of the system, nothing realistic can be achieved without major new powers from government. What Sir Keith Joseph and Chris Patten have done, Easter, as they have in previous months, is to trivialize and distance from the very serious issues by including conditions, threats, or promises.

They have said nothing of investment. Instead, they have talked of central government control, vouchers, or Crown Schools (whatever they may be), of greater participation (inadequately conceived) and the threat of a "job society". None of this should be allowed to divert attention from the real and workable settlement of the present emergency.

Sir Keith's brand of management well recognized in British industry concentrates on the profit motive and ignores the needs and feelings of the workforce. In education "this" work. Children and young people recognize that one of the most fundamental of these is a child's right to proper education. Schools of varying funding and performance, and charging directly dependent on parental income, deny the children this right.

In response to this government onslaught, what can be more reasonable than teacher unions divided amongst themselves and from the natural allies (the parents) to be for the teaching unions to be the education system. How sad that attempts to bring them together were met with ridicule.

Equally damaging for the unions, however, has been the subject of the unions to relate constructive parents, to recognize our common interests and potential power and acknowledge our support. They have chosen rather to alienate parents: what other effect can be expected from the above parent teacher consultation? The damage being done is to the most of the parents we meet best teachers' cause is both lost and winnable.

Throughout this conflict, parents have pointed out to teachers and their union officials that their own campaign would be more effective if it worked with rather than against parents. But the leadership seem to be declining such collaboration.

At face value the Easter conference seems to have contributed nothing to the chances of a settlement. The Government's disastrous education policy could be more effectively challenged by teaching unions working together and in collaboration with parents' groups. Parents' immediate and substantial demands from government to the injustice their children are suffering.

Joe Collier and Mary Henry

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In brief

Trip called off

A school trip to Holland for 34 pupils at the Poundwich High School, Manchester, has been cancelled because of the "obscene graffiti" row. School governors called off the visit which would also take in Luxembourg, Belgium and Germany, because of possible legal and safety problems for a group led by someone in dispute with his employers.

Meanwhile, Manchester schools could face 10 weeks of selective strike action by NAS/UWT members over the Poundwich dispute unless a solution is reached. Sixty teachers in six schools were called out on strike on Wednesday, and similar action in other schools is expected to follow.



Lacking energy

Chips, cakes and biscuits form a large proportion of the daily diet of British schoolchildren, according to a DHSS survey. The survey looked at the eating habits of 3,000 10 to 15-year-olds, which shows that the energy intakes of British schoolchildren are on average 10 per cent below the recommended daily amounts set by the DHSS.

MPs lobbied

The National Council for Special Education has called on its members to lobby their MPs to support a Private Member's bill on disabled people. The Services, Consultative and Representation Bill introduced by Mr Tom Clarke, Labour MP for Monklands West, will oblige local authorities to assess the needs of handicapped people when they leave school and to provide what is necessary. It goes before the Commons today.

Report warning

If the Conservatives get back in power in the London Borough of Brent after next month's election, the as-yet unpublished report of the independent investigation into education standards will be "thrown in the dustbin". Mr Arthur Steel, chairman of the education committee, said this week. The investigation had already cost £150,000 and he did not think that another £10,000 of the ratepayers' money should be spent on publishing a "political and racist document". Labour has pledged to enact some of the proposals as a matter of urgency.

NUS president

Labour's Mr Vicky Phillips was elected president of the National Union of Students conference in Blackpool this week. Mr Phillips, who is 24 and a member of the National Organization of Labour Students (NOLS) was elected by 407 votes to 296.

Muslim call

A clash between Newham and the London borough's 20,000 Muslims looks certain after a meeting of local Muslims last week called on the council to set up separate boys and girls' secondary schools for Muslims. Newham is opposed to founding any new voluntary aided schools.

Drastic cut in poly places expected

by Hilary Wilce

for public sector higher education.

But this is only a preliminary stage in a lengthy planning procedure. Final decisions will not be made until the autumn, when the figure that the Government will make available for local authority higher education in 1987-8 is known.

Decisions made by the NAB committee then have to be approved by Sir Keith Joseph, the Education Secretary, at the end of the year.

But this could be well after sixth-formers and further education students have to make decisions on course applications. The initial deadline for application to the polytechnics, under the new centralized admissions system, PCAS, for example, is mid-December.

PCAS said this week that it was drawing applicants' attention to the uncertainties in its guidelines and that there would be help for students caught out by course changes.

But Mrs Jean Bockoc, assistant secretary for higher education of the lecturers' union, Natfhe, said that young people faced anxiety and uncertainty.

Biddy Passmore on the Commons flare up over education Stormy seas rise in a backwater

Education Question Time in the Commons is normally a tranquil affair, attended by few MPs and even fewer journalists. Not until a few minutes before it ends does the chamber fill up for one of the great test pieces of the Parliamentary week: Prime Minister's questions.

On Tuesday, however, the transition from one to the other was barely detectable. Education is the matter of the moment and MPs were out in force to put both Sir Keith Joseph and Sir Thatcher on the spot.

But the great confrontation between Government and Opposition never really lived up to its promise. True, MP after MP expressed concern or outrage at the Government's education policy in general and the GCSE mess and polytechnic cuts in particular. A Tory MP, the publicity-loving Mr Harry Greenway, asked for reassurance that everything would be all right. But ministers got off pretty lightly under the circumstances.

This was partly, no doubt, because

the Tory Whips had been out in force, telling their troops to play together and play the game – in this case, a matter of drowning the opposition with roars and cries of "silly man" and "shut up".

But Labour failed to capitalize on a heaven-sent opportunity to embarrass the Government. Mr Giles Radice, the party's education spokesman, became bogged down in his attack on the GCSE confusion and was swiftly routed, all the more easily since Sir Keith had left the rooming to his competent lieutenant, Chris Patten.

Listening to Mr Patten, you would have thought there were no problems at all. Never before had so many teachers been so thoroughly prepared for an educational reform, he said.

Sir Keith himself appeared to be so much at his ease that he indulged in a little praise of Patten's speech at the AMMA conference. And when Mr Max Madden, a Labour MP, called on him to resign, he simply shook it off as "a rhetorical question".

institutions are either going to be promising places and recruiting students to courses where they might later have to turn them away, or they will be hanging back on recruitment because they don't know if they have places to offer."

The national jigsaw of the proposed cuts began to emerge this week as the contents of the NAB confidential letters became known.

Sunderland Polytechnic's civil engineering department was recommended for closure, as was Teesside Polytechnic's design department and Newcastle upon Tyne Polytechnic's English and history degree courses.

Leeds Polytechnic stood to lose its fine art department – where both Henry Moore and Barbara Hepworth studied – and Wolverhampton Polytechnic its entire engineering department.

Directors of all these institutions promised a vigorous fight against the NAB proposals.

At least a dozen colleges would lose

all their advanced further education work, and a number of mergers are proposed. These include Wolverhampton Polytechnic with the West Midlands College of Higher Education; Wimbledon School of Art with Kingston Polytechnic; and Basing College of Higher Education with the West London Institute. The Rose Bruford College of Performing Arts, in Sidcup, would close.

Overall, according to Natfhe estimates, the equivalent of 1,800 full-time places in social and administrative studies and 1,500 business management places will go. Engineering and the humanities will lose almost 1,000 places each, and environmental science will lose more than 700.

According to Government projections, the number of school-leavers qualified for higher education is likely to drop by about 2,500 in 1987-8 but then rise again. And only about 40 per cent of students in public sector higher education enter directly from school. The rest are older students and demand among mature applicants is growing.

Sir Keith upsets NAB

Sir Keith Joseph has angered local authority leaders on the NAB committee by effectively accusing them of scare-mongering.

In a letter in *The Times* on Wednesday, he stressed that no decisions on the funding level for polytechnics and colleges in 1987-8 had yet been taken. And he implied that, even if the National Advisory Body's pessimistic assumption of a £23 million cut proved correct, the Government would not accept the cuts in student numbers it predicted.

His letter followed heated exchanges in the Commons on Tuesday, when he countered an opposition onslaught on the proposed cuts by describing press reports of them as "rubbish".

Mrs Nicole Harrison, who chairs the education committee of the Association of Metropolitan Authorities and is a member of the NAB committee, said she "couldn't believe" what Sir Keith had said. She took issue with the Education Secretary's claim that more students could be squeezed into polytechnics and colleges for less money.

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PTAs shake off their cosy image

by Biddy Passmore

The National Confederation of Parent-Teacher Associations is finally coming of age. At its annual conference in York last weekend the 30-year-old confederation made a determined effort to cast off its image of a cosy talking shop and take on the mantle of a serious pressure group.

It was lucky in its timing. All week the headlines had been screaming about education, from Government plans for Crown schools to the determination of one teacher union after another to cast the new GCSE into disarray.

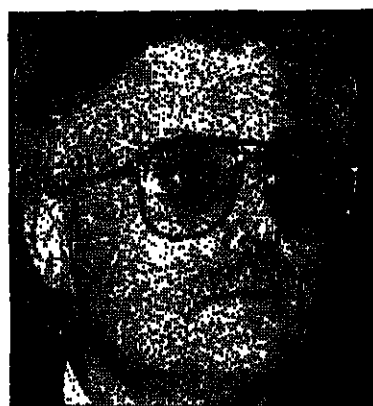
The Press were waiting to hear what parents had to say. And the NCPTA obliged with an emergency resolution, passed unanimously, saying that, if Sir Keith Joseph didn't provide more money, then it too was in favour of delaying the exam.

Members also passed (nearly unanimously) a motion expressing dismay at the re-emergence of vouchers and/or the privatization of state schools and instructing their executive to make this known to the Government "in the strongest possible terms".

The confederation has learnt from bitter experience that it does not do to step into the limelight and do the splits. In January, a call by some of its leaders for teachers to stop disrupting schools and settle for the best offer available caused open dissension in the ranks - which do, after all, contain teachers. So the issue of industrial action was carefully avoided at last week's conference.

But, while the feelings then exposed - support for the teachers' case, bitterness at their tactics - still bubbled away beneath the surface, the conference found plenty of other issues to discuss. Apart from the new exam, motions were passed unanimously calling for nursery education for all four-year-olds, for national clarification of the limits on PTA contributions to school funds, for the application of health and safety legislation to all pupils, for changes in school transport, school meals.

Only on one issue was there minor disagreement: whether parents represented on local authority education committees should have voting rights



Jack Jones: heavy workload

or not. The national executive thought not, because of the possible conflict of interest, but they were overruled. Any organization worth its salt defies its executive from time to time.

The increasing strength of the parents' voice within the organization is shown by its new executive. Whereas the old executive had four parents and

four teachers, with the remaining places made up by either, the new formula stipulates eight parents and four teachers. The rules of eligibility have also been tightened - mainly with the aim of attracting younger people still actively involved with a school - and honorary vice-presidents no longer have the automatic right to attend.

To boost its more assertive and "professional" approach, the NCPTA may also appoint a full-time, salaried director. Its current general secretary and deputy general secretary, Jack Jones (a teacher) and James Hammond (a hospital administrator), and their other stalwarts are beginning to find the work-load overwhelming. In the last year alone, the number of member PTAs has risen from 4,600 to 5,300, and more and more approach the confederation for help.

A special meeting later this year will discuss the possibility of creating a full-time post. The main problem is money. Apart from start-up grants from the Government 30 years ago, the NCPTA has always had to rely on members' voluntary contributions.

Owen shies away from central control

Dr David Owen, leader of the SDP, came down firmly on the side of local autonomy rather than the central control of education.

Indeed, his after-dinner speech to the conference at times echoed more closely the current views of the Conservative right than those of the middle-of-the-road Alliance. But he stopped short of advocating a free market in education.

He called for five-year contracts for heads, and supported financial devolution

to schools and grants to help community interests set up their own voluntary schools where existing schools had failed.

He also attacked the government's growing centralism in education, dismissing Crown schools as "political escapism designed only to fill a gap in the next election manifesto".

But vouchers - the favourite nostrum of the right - were dismissed in the same breath. Nor did Dr Owen appear

to have much time for the creation of new private schools in the grammar school mould. Rather, he said, they should be "non-fee-paying and non-selective".

The SDP leader did seem to see a greater role for the centre in quality control. He suggested that an expanded Inspectorate should have the power to recommend school closures and that central funds should help set up new schools.

He took a tough but tender line on teachers' pay. "We have, all of us, devalued the teaching profession. That must be changed and it will need an injection of new money to give a step-like increase in teachers' salaries."

In return, the taxpayer was entitled to ask teachers to accept a new contractual structure that would reward excellence in the classroom.

Dr Owen's speech was well received by delegates.

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Cherchez la femme

It should have been a battle of the giants - but one giant failed to show up. Last Thursday, Sir Keith Joseph was to speak at the NAS/UTW conference while, just down the road, Dr Rhodes Boyson was to make his bid for the succession at the gathering of the Federation of Conservative Students.

There was, it is true, an element of uncertainty about the affair. Sir Keith was to fly back the same day from New York, a common practice that makes his officials hop nervously from one foot to the other as they wait to thrust the speech into his hands in the foyer.

Why does he fly to New York so often? It seems, Watson, that there is a woman in the affair. She has been seen in London with the Education Secretary. She must be the reason why Sir Keith's brow has stayed bright throughout the last, gruelling month.

None the less, the Education Secretary tore himself away and duly turned up in Scarborough. After his reception, he must have wished he'd stayed in New York.

Whereas Dr Boyson, who cannot wait to escape from the Northern hill exile to which he has been condemned for the last two years, was deemed by an "unexpected engagement". Was this a DES plot, or was it a whole new interpretation of the Prevention of Terrorism Act?

Old news

Strange things happen when education suddenly becomes flavour of the month. Bernard Levin, for instance, starts to write articles about governing bodies in St Helena.

Mr Levin is much exercised by leftist guidelines to governors that have come his way. Certainly they are disturbing, describing as they do how to demoralise heads, cause dissent among staff, pupils and parents, and out-manoeuvre other governors. But they are neither new nor unique. Their existence was first reported in *The TES* four years ago when they appeared in Avon and were claimed to be a hoax.

Belt up

Some organisations give worthy causes a bad name. Such a one is STOPP, the anti-corporal punishment pressure group, which sometimes shows signs of obsession bordering on the ludicrous.

STOPP's latest target is neither red nor tame, nor yet the humble slipper. It is the seat belt - or, to be precise, an advertisement for seat belts which says "To love 'em is to belt 'em". This, says STOPP's education secretary Martin Rosenbaum, is an appalling piece of propaganda which represents "a stamp of approval for child abuse".

It beats us how an organisation that is so strapped for cash has time to fly this kind of thing.

Up-staged

One of the stars of the AMMA conference was Mrs Margaret Kemper from Cheltenham. She had the unenviable task of proposing a vote of thanks to Mr Chris Patten, the guest speaker and no mean performer himself.

She began: "I was always taught never to trust anyone who said: 'The cheque's in the post of course I'll respect you in the morning, or I'm from the DES, can I help you?'"

After congratulating him on his address Mrs Kemper said that all the way through it she was wondering what a nice man like him was doing at the DES. "We shall watch your career there with interest," she added. He replied that so would he; and assured her that of course he would respect her in the morning.

Acronym

RC colleges threatened with closure

by Bert Lodge

The spectre of closure is hanging over another two Catholic colleges of higher education.

The chairman of the Catholic HE committee has warned that plans to shut one college - possibly two - will probably be announced within the next two years.

Speaking at the annual conference of the Catholic Teachers' Federation in Leeds on Saturday, the Rt Rev Daniel Mullins, area Bishop of Swinson, said he foresaw a bleak future for the Catholic Church in education.

"In the early 1970s we had 16 teacher training institutions. We now have six and none of them can face the future with confidence."

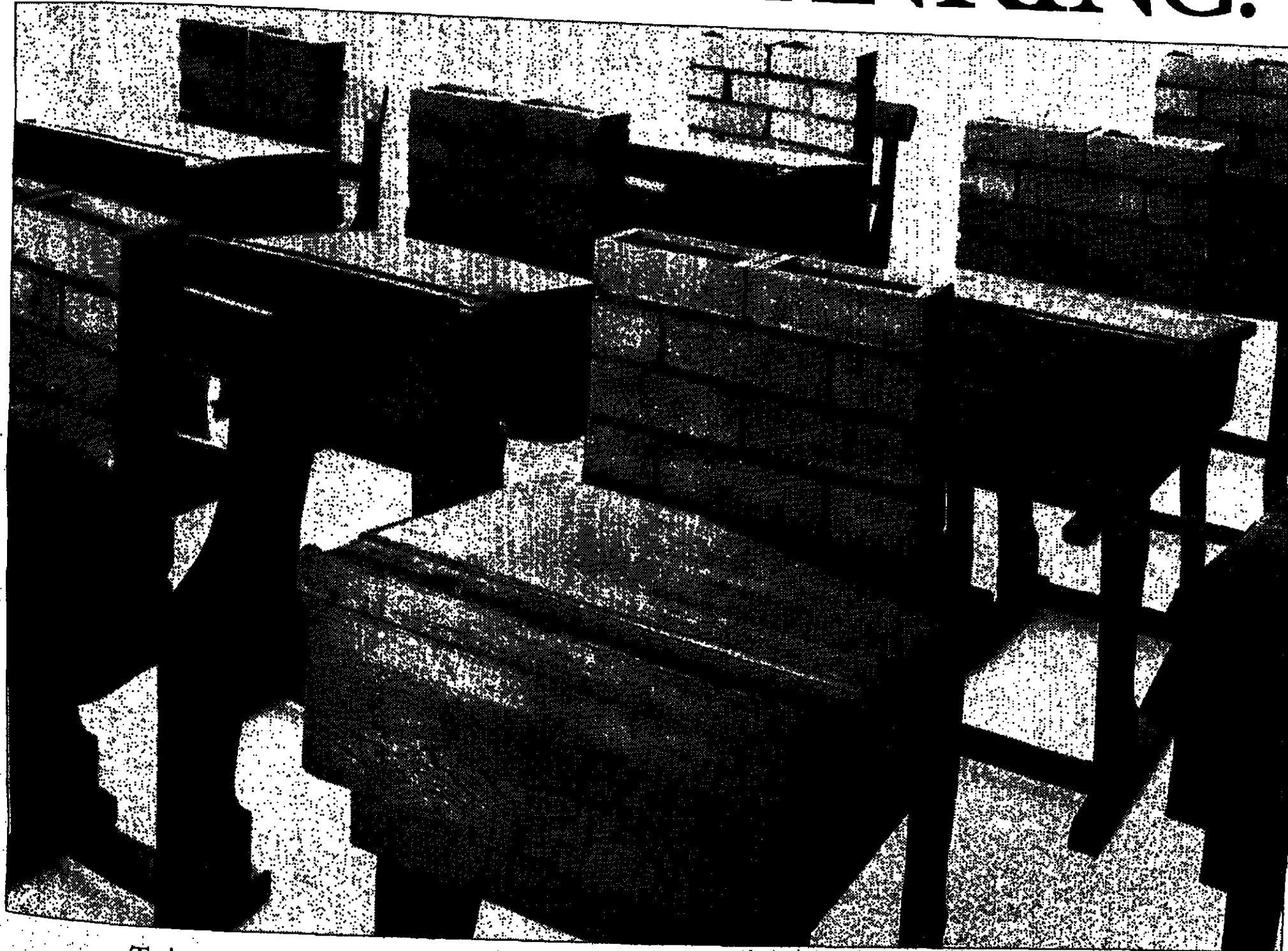
Bishop Mullins' remarks were made in reply to a question about the fate of De La Salle College, Manchester, which seems certain to close following the withdrawal of teacher training places and the failure of Catholic authorities to agree on a merger with the Liverpool Institute of Higher Education.

Acknowledging the declining role of the Catholic Church in the educational system Bishop Mullins added: "If we don't come up with answers very quickly we shall be reduced to primary education only."

He pointed out that in the early 1970s Catholic colleges, along with other teacher training institutions, were encouraged to diversify. They complied so as to hold on to teacher training places but once they had gone, as had happened at De La Salle, the situation was very different. "So long as we say we will continue doing the sort of work which requires 100 per cent funding I don't think we can make a case for staying in higher education."

He told members of the federation, which represents over 1,500 schools, that the Church should pursue priorities which would not attract funds from central government. "We ought to be going to the Government and saying, 'This is what we want to do with our colleges', and not waiting for them to say, 'This is what we'll let you do'."

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With the ILEA direct elections less than a month away Mike Durham reports on a political row over the authority's new structure and looks at the line-ups as nominations close

Opponents challenge new structure

The proposed committee structure of the new ILEA - giving the authority six separate education committees - has been greeted with deep suspicion by opposition parties.

Both Alliance and Conservative leaders are concerned about the powers the new committees and co-opted members will have in the new structure. The proposal comes from the Labour-controlled interim administration.

Plans for the new structure are being finalized this month and will be sent to Education Secretary, Sir Keith Joseph, for approval. If it goes ahead the new committees could be in place in September.

Under the old ILEA, the authority was technically a committee of the GLC with one education committee and nine specialist sub-committees without executive powers.

The six new committees would be for development; finance; general purposes; post-school; schools and staff. A seventh committee, known as a policy and equal opportunities committee, could be added.

Under the proposals drawn up by a new authority sub-committee and sent

out for consultation this month, the committees would have significant executive powers and would be supported by added members.

Conservative chief whip on ILEA, Mr Sandy Sandford, said: "Broadly we welcome the idea of the new committees. But we are very concerned that the real forum for decision-making must be the authority itself."

"The report suggests that the committees will have the power to take executive action. Any member must have the power to requisition any subject to the authority itself for debate."

Mr Sandford said he was also concerned about plans to include large numbers of added members on the committees. "We could run into a situation where the non-elected members may be taking decisions which cannot be reversed. There is no doubt that the real power will lie in the education committees."

SDP leader, Mrs Anne Sofer, said it was "absolutely crucial" that decisions could be challenged at a higher level than the education committees. It was not clear how far this would be possible.



Bill Stubbs

But Mrs Sofer has called for more power for additional members. Although the proposed new structure would include them on the committees, they would not be allowed to sit as voting members on the authority itself.

Mrs Sofer said: "We are losing an education committee with an overall



Tessa Blackstone

view of the subject, because co-opted members sit on it. If we want the fullest contribution from them, they need to sit on the main committee."

"We would get better value from them if they had the benefit of using a cross-committee remit, instead of just sitting on one or two committees."

Shake-up creates more top jobs

The number of top jobs in the London Education Authority will rise from five to nine when the administrative shake-up is complete.

At present, the old-style ILEA has five key officials: the education director, three education directors - for resources, and further and higher education - and a chief inspector.

Under the new arrangements, areas of responsibility of education directors will be changed and number increased from three to five. A new post of deputy education director will also be created.

Not all the posts have been filled. Some have only just been advertised. At the top of the pyramid, Mr Bill Hargreaves will remain as education officer. He will also be chief executive of the free-standing authority.

Other appointments already announced are Mr David Riggs, an ILEA official, as director of finance and two existing ILEA deputy education officers in key posts as deputy directors in the new authority.

They are Mr David Mullen, who has become director of education, and Mr David Falcon who has been appointed director of education for schools.

Dr Tessa Blackstone, who has been deputy education officer (resources) to become clerk and education officer of the new authority.

The chief inspector will remain David Hargreaves. However, he is shortly to give him independence from the education officer and to him to work directly to the public.

This week appointments had been made as director of building property services, director of personnel services and equal employment opportunities, and deputy education officer. It is a new post and regarded as a key appointment.

A leading candidate is believed to be Mr Herman Ouseley, the black deputy chief executive of Lambeth Council. London: Mr Ouseley is a former head of the GLC ethnic minorities unit but has no experience as an education administrator.

● The ILEA has taken on 4,000 staff from the GLC, mainly at junior clerical grades, because of a policy of giving priority to displaced Council House bureaucrats. Critics have said the ILEA is in danger of being "swamped" by administrators with no experience of education.

Manifesto attacked

The SDP/Alliance has cheerily released, and attacked, Labour's manifesto for the ILEA elections 10 days before it was due to be published.

SDP leader Mrs Anne Sofer distributed copies of what she said was a final draft of the Labour document. She described it as "staggeringly bland and vacuous" and "thoroughly alarming."

The 19-page document, which Labour had planned to publish next week, closely follows earlier drafts which were in circulation at the end of last year. The main point of contention is on tertiary education.

The draft issued this week says that Labour will continue to consult on 16 to 19 educational provision, and that sixth-form consortia arrangements and tertiary boards cannot be a permanent solution.

Mrs Sofer claimed Labour had had "internal difficulties" over the document. She said it was an admission of failure to raise standards and made promises it could not keep.



Sir Ashley Bramall

Sir Ashley faces re-election battle

Sir Ashley Bramall, a former Labour leader of the ILEA, is one of several well-known politicians who face a tough fight to retain a seat when the first direct elections are held in May.

All three major parties have named their candidates for the new 38-seat authority. Polling is on May 8, the same day as London borough elections.

In the past, Inner London Education Authority members were drawn from the Greater London Council, of which the ILEA was technically a committee. This is the first time members have faced direct elections on the single subject of education, in new constituencies.

Sir Ashley, formerly a GLC member in Tower Hamlets, has been selected for a Putney seat. In the 1983 general election the constituency was held by the Conservatives with a 46 per cent poll compared with Labour's 35.9 per cent.

ILEA constituencies are identical to the Inner London parliamentary constituencies, so Sir Ashley will need a significant swing to Labour to retain the seat. Each party is fielding two candidates for each constituency.

In Putney, the Conservatives are putting up Mrs Margaret Calcott-James, a Putney borough councillor and existing member of the ILEA, and

Mrs Barbara Garnett, a former school teacher.

Sir Ashley's previous constituency in the East End of London, a safe Labour seat, will be contested by a black candidate, Mrs Jean Bernard. Observers have noted that while Labour has been quick to field an ethnic minority candidate, they have picked one of West Indian background in a constituency largely populated by Asians.

Mrs Frances Morrell, Labour leader of the old ILEA, is standing in Islington. Differences between the Islington South and Islington North Labour parties over tertiary education have now been patched up.

Conservative candidates include Lady Olga Maitland, the campaigner against political indoctrination in schools, who is standing in the Holborn and St Pancras constituency. She faces stiff opposition. Labour held the constituency with 47 per cent of the vote in 1983 and are putting up two strong candidates, Mr Neil Fletcher and Mrs Elizabeth Monck.

The SDP/Alliance is fielding candidates in all 29 constituencies. The ILEA's SDP leader, Mrs Anne Sofer, is standing in Hampstead and Highgate, a volatile constituency which was firmly retained by the Conservatives in 1983.

ILEA seeks County Hall freehold

A bid for ownership of County Hall, home of the late Greater London Council, has been made by the Inner London Education Authority, this week, writes Lindsay Darling.

The finance sub-committee of the ILEA has sent a letter to the London Residuary Body, asking for the freehold of the South Bank building to be transferred to the authority, and adding that it will make a commercial bid for the property if the proposal is rejected.

Plans for the sale of the building, which is estimated to be worth between £100 and £200 million, are being considered by the LRB, the body also responsible for funding alternative accommodation for the 4,500 ILEA staff housed at County Hall.

Mrs Frances Morrell, leader of the ILEA, said that the proposed relocation of the ILEA would not be cost-effective and would cause considerable disruption.

"It's not just a case of moving one office block to another," she said.

County Hall was built with the money of Inner London residents. It has been our home for 70 years; and we want to stay here.

The estimated cost of providing alternative accommodation for the ILEA would be £75 million, plus £10 million in relocation expenses, according to Mr David Riggs, ILEA director of finance. In order to make a commercial bid for County Hall, the ILEA would sell some of the premises freed by centralization. Parts of the building would be rented to other public bodies.

Sir Godfrey Taylor, chairman of the LRB, said: "It is the LRB's job to dispose of County Hall, and if the ILEA cares to put in a commercial bid it will be considered along with any other."

Asked if the proposals would make the reinstatement of the GLC by a future Labour government consider-



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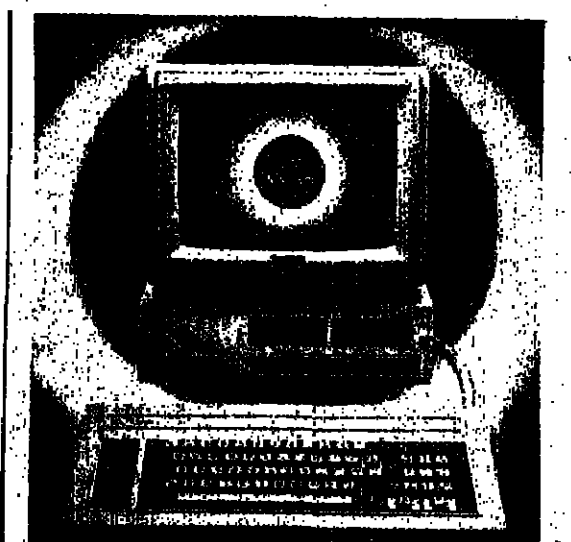
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Heads can be 'magic wands': Sir Keith

by Sarah Bayliss

A good headteacher is the closest thing to a "magic wand" for a primary school, said Sir Keith Joseph, in evidence to the Commons Select Committee on Education.

Appearing as the final witness to the committee's two-year inquiry into primary education, Sir Keith refused to be drawn by Labour and some Conservative members about the need for more resources, better building maintenance and ways of equalizing parental contributions.

Labour MPs, he said, put too much emphasis on "money alone". "It doesn't take account of good or bad education in itself. There are schools serving the same social mix with the same financial resources, producing remarkably different results."

Asked about his own priorities he said: "The importance of the head-teacher is the closest thing to a magic wand that we have in schools."

Mr Martin Flannery, Labour MP for Sheffield, Hillsborough, said that, on a

recent visit to the city, Sir Keith had admitted the state of the school buildings was "crumby".

Sir Keith replied: "Crumby buildings, although a hindrance, are not in themselves an obstacle to good education."

Mr Robert Key, Conservative MP for Salisbury, and a former master at Harrow School where Sir Keith was himself a pupil, reminded the Education Secretary that the private sector now regarded physical surroundings and equipment as a top priority. In county schools problems with leaking roofs and unfit classrooms were too often "determining the educational priorities".

Sir Keith reiterated his conviction that "What goes on in classrooms is more important than their state."

Earlier, under questioning about under-fives, Sir Keith said he did not want to see education take responsibilities from social services. "Education is a different process from day

care... I regard the present division as right."

Nor did he wish to change the statutory date for children starting school. He preferred early entry to be "flexible" and at the discretion of local authorities. He was pleased that the number of three and four-year-olds in

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primary schools was at a "record level".

Asked about the creation of direct grant primary schools, he said he still had a "modest experiment" in mind

with roughly seven schools funded directly by central government but "preferably not run by my department".

He wanted to testify to the importance of the primary years of schooling and the difficulty which teachers faced, especially with an increasingly broad curriculum.

He respected the notion of the class teacher but believed that to provide a wide and effective curriculum, schools needed teachers who were subject leaders offering help to children and colleagues. "There is huge scope for improvement even among dedicated teachers," he said.

His department had calculated that 15,000 extra teachers would be needed over the next decade, partly to provide primary teachers with more non-contact time for subject area work. Discussions were underway with the local authority associations.

Sir Keith told MPs he was not considering a change in the law regard-

ing religious worship in schools. To the obvious bewilderment of MPs, Sir Keith said there had been few complaints to the Department of Education and Science about schools complying with the 1944 Education Act but when a complaint was made it was followed up and "conformity des followed".

Sir William Van Straubenzee, chairman of the committee, said MPs had heard evidence from the Anglican and Catholic churches that the law was being "widely ignored" - that assemblies were not taking place at the beginning of the day and that often the whole school did not attend. "That being done by perfectly law abiding people."

He commended Sir Keith to read the evidence from the churches which showed they were keen for legal changes to be made.

A final report from the Select Committee on *Achievement in Primary Schools* is expected in the autumn.

Calculators and computers can revolutionize the subject, mathematicians told

New tech urged for junior maths

New technology has set primary children and teachers free to become "active mathematical thinkers", according to the president of the Mathematical Association.

Devoting her address entirely to the future of primary maths, Miss Hilary Shuard urged the Association's annual conference at Cambridge to take up the challenge of "number crunching machines" to change from traditional styles of teaching maths and to enjoy the subject.

Calculators and computers mean children need not be taught the laborious pencil and paper methods of computation - addition, subtraction, long division and multiplication.

At the same time, learning and understanding quick ways of using mental arithmetic had become even more necessary and children should still learn their tables, she explained.

New technology should allow a major revolution to take place in primary maths. "At last we can spend our time in trying to help more children understand how the number system works... and to use mathematics as a tool to explore and enjoy their environment."

Miss Shuard, former deputy principal of Homerton College, Cambridge, was a member of the Cockcroft Committee and chairman of its primary working group. She now directs a follow-up project to Cockcroft called PRIME - Primary Initiatives in Mathematics Education - with a £600,000 grant from the Schools Curriculum Development Committee.

She reminded members that when Cockcroft reported in 1981 few primary schools had a computer. Now

almost every school had at least one and in two million homes across Britain, children had use of a micro, she said.

Her own research among third year juniors showed that one in two children owned a calculator. More importantly evidence from researcher Anita Straker showed that in 1985 among top infants, between 18 and 36 per cent owned a calculator and between 19 and 42 per cent had a computer at home.

Digital watches, calculators and computers, even video recorders and microwave ovens with their programmable timing devices, were now familiar tools to many children and their parents. Primary maths must take account of these advances, she explained.

Since Cockcroft there had also been an explosion of knowledge about how children learned maths. It was no longer valid to think of children as "empty vessels" to be filled with "proper" calculating methods. The notion that they learned more from their own experience was gradually gaining ground.

Parents and playleaders working with pre-school children were urged to defend the statutory years of state education by Dr Aidan Macfarlane, president of the Pre-School Playgroups Association, at its annual meeting in Caister, Norfolk last weekend.

Dr Macfarlane, consultant paediatrician at Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford, said progress and co-operation in the pre-school field and encouraging research about its beneficial effects, were being marred by the Government's "course of destruction" against state education and health.



Bird tables: Bill Oddie and Sir Peter Scott lend a hand to pupils from Slimbridge School, Gloucester, taking part in Wildfowl Watch '86. More than 1,000 children have been making counts of six species of birds on the ponds and waterways of Britain since January.

Insufficient time left for admin

Primary heads can find it difficult to give enough time to school administration, preparation and in-service training.

A survey of 32 schools carried out by the Bristol University School of Education found that each week heads spent 10 per cent less time on such duties than they had planned.

The survey asked heads to compare the amount of time they had devoted for six areas of work with the school time spent.

Heads in large schools spent more time teaching than they had intended. Researchers suggest this is because, unlike heads of small schools, who already have a heavy teaching commitment, they are expected to carry

One of the most significant difficulties was in planning and development. The researchers feel heads should develop strategies that will minimize disruptions during the time not available for such work.

Several heads reported they had taken home work on planning and preparation because they had not been able to use the time they had not spent for such work.

Differences emerged in the way between urban and rural schools. In small rural schools relatively little time was spent on contacts with non-heads. Of urban schools spent 13 per cent of their time with staff, compared with 9 per cent of the time of heads of rural schools.

School size also produced differences. Heads of small primaries took more time to arrive at school earlier than heads of middle and large schools.

Heads finding it hardest to spare time on administration are in medium and large urban schools.

A summary of the survey findings are contained in the spring issue of the *Journal of the British Educational Management and Administration Society*.

£1,000 prizes for projects

Two £1,000 cash prizes will be awarded to the winners of a primary schools competition sponsored by the Department of Trade and Industry.

Teachers have been asked to submit a description of a project done with local industry, together with examples of their pupils' work.

The competition is being run jointly with the School Curriculum Industry Project. In addition to the two national awards to junior and infant schools there will be 12 regional awards of £250.

Schools wishing to take part should contact Myra Poulton, at SCIP, on 01-228 1234, before April 30/1986.

Parents aid young readers

The value of parental involvement in reading is underlined by some new research.

A study in Rochdale, Lancashire looked at 32 children aged 5 to 7 who were reading regularly to their teachers at school and to their parents at home - sometimes as often as five nights a week.

All the parents were taking part in a reading project and were considered to be relatively disadvantaged. Four of the children came from homes where English was a second language.

Researchers found important similarities between the parents and teachers in terms of their reactions - such as inviting the children to start reading and providing words when they hesitated.

Some differences were found too. For example, the four teachers who were involved, made more efforts to help parents to help children understand what they were reading. Meanwhile parents tended to concentrate more than teachers on misuses and misunderstandings.

According to the researchers, the study had helped provide descriptive data "in an area of educational concern where myths abound".

Parents' and teachers' attitudes towards hearing young children read by Hannon, Angela, Jackson, and Weinberger, can be found in the edition of *Research Papers in Education*, published by NFER.

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Girls shun old values

by Hilary Wilce

Single-sex schools encourage pupils to have more liberal views about the rights of women than do mixed schools.

And the most liberal views are to be found in girls-only schools, according to a survey carried out in Northern Ireland.

The survey notes that most single-sex schools in the province are Catholic and that class factors can affect opinions, but says that the differences between school types are still marked even when these factors are allowed for.

"Whether considering social or work related issues, those from single-sex schools are consistently more liberal, despite the fact that the attitudes of teachers and principals from both mixed or single-sex schools are similar. Hence the problem would seem to lie with the regime itself rather than the personnel involved."

But the report, by Mr John Kramer and Ms Carol Curry of Queen's University department of psychology, says there appears to be no shift in views among young men in Northern Ireland. "Below the age of 35 it is difficult to discern any sign of a decrease in the strength of traditional values."

The survey, which examined the views of 500 men and 500 women, was carried out for the Equal Opportunities Commission for Northern Ireland.

Biddy Passmore reports on the Education Bill which returns to the House of Lords next week.

Wending its cheap and cheerful way

If the Education Bill had been a teeny bit more controversial or more expensive, it would have started life in the House of Commons. As it was deemed both uncontroversial and cheap, it began in the Lords.

Nonetheless, the Bill which sets out to end local authority domination of governing bodies, to boost parent power, to sort out the distribution of powers between local authorities and heads - and, by the way, to overhaul in-service training and provide for the compulsory assessment of teachers - contained quite enough controversy to occupy their Lordships from tea-time to tea-time on the first day of its committee stage.

First, an Opposition proposal to create a Children's Ombudsman was seen off by the Government. It would mean the creation of 103 Ombudsmen, protested the Earl of Swinton, an expensive business. Crucially other objections, and muttering the time-honoured words "defective drafting", Lord McIntosh of Haringey (Lab) bowed to the inevitable and withdrew it.

Then their Lordships got down to the main business of the day: an Opposition amendment that would have replaced the Bill's rigid rules for the composition of governing bodies with a more flexible formula based on the Taylor Report. (Four equal shares,

representing parents, the i.e.a., staff and the community).

Since the amendment - a whole new clause, 45 lines long - also proposed to include pupils and support staff on governing bodies, the peers had plenty to talk about.

To many of these noble minds, pupils and support staff clearly fall into the category of people who should not speak unless spoken to.

What a relief, then, that they will not be able to. For Lord McIntosh's amendment was defeated by a resounding 150 votes to 64 and his subsequent attempts to introduce similar changes piecemeal were no more successful.

The Labour education spokesman had done his best. Posing as the Government's flexible friend, he had offered his amendment to them as a "lifeline", to pull them out of a web of over-prescription.

Lord McIntosh had the gentle support of the Liberal, Lord Ritchie of Dundee, and the more outspoken backing of Lord Taylor of the Report (Lab). He was grateful for what the Government had done so far, Lord Taylor said disarmingly, but ministers were now proposing to give parents too many seats. The other groups would be jealous.

However, powerful forces ranged against the proposed clause: the Bishop of London (C of E), saw it undermining the dual system; Baroness Carnegy of Lour (Con) thought the inclusion of non-teaching staff would lead to inter-union squabbles; and Lord Beloff (Con) argued that a four-equal shares formula for governing West German universities had brought them to a standstill.

Lord Beloff conjured up an unlikely picture. "... One can imagine an enormous amount of time being spent in the school on a matter such as relations between schools and the police, when the important matter of whether money is to be spent on the roof or on the loo is left aside."

Lady Young, back again as Government spokesman on an education Bill despite her current post as a Foreign Office minister, was kind but firm when she summed up. The amendment would crucially affect the Bill; ergo, the Government could not accept it.

The amendment, she said, would mean in some cases that the minimum number of parents, teachers and foundation governors would fall below the minimum requirements of the 1980 Act. The result could make the local authority governors the largest single group - precisely what the Bill wanted to avoid.

The Government had been accused of being anti-youth because the Bill

excluded pupils under 18 from being governors, she acknowledged. But there was an important legal reason for that: ministers considered that a governorship was an office of public and pecuniary trust which could not properly be held by a minor.

In any case, she considered it "wholly inappropriate" for pupils to become governors. Other ways should be found to involve them - either as observers or through school councils.

As for non-teaching staff, they did not seem to have a sufficiently distinctive contribution to make to justify a mandatory voice, she said.

Their Lordships obeyed Her Ladyship. Shortly after they broke for dinner, as the Earl of Swinton (the Government's education spokesman and a substantial figure), had coalesced to hunger pains.

After dinner, they raced through more amendments on such matters as the method of voting for parent governors. The Government, having preferred central prescription on composition, now professed itself keen on local discretion for voting methods, especially when the Alliance tried to slip in proportional representation.

Shortly after quarter to 11, Lord Swinton called it a day. 15 clauses down: 37 to go. The committee will reconvene on April 15 to polish them off.

IN BRIEF

Honorary degree

The University of Salford is to confer an honorary degree on Ms Brenda Dean, general secretary of the print union, SOGAT '82. Ms Dean, who was born in Salford, went to work in a local printing firm immediately after leaving Stretford High School for Girls.

DES pay claim

The First Division Association, representing top civil servants, has submitted a pay claim for 17 per cent backdated to April 1. The FDA, whose members include 700 school inspectors and 200 DES civil servants, claims that civil service pay, relative to comparable rates outside, has fallen by between 23 and 28 per cent in the past five years, and that morale, motivation and recruitment have suffered as a result.

Donations urged

Mr Andrew Rowe, Conservative MP for mid-Kent, has urged parents in the county to take advantage of tax changes in the Budget to increase donations to maintained schools. In a letter to the Conservative education chairman, Mr Bill McNeill, asking him to publicize the changes, the MP says the present Government has done more for charity than any since Tudor times.

Building grant

The Welsh Office has approved a grant of £1.2 million over the current year to fund the replacement of church schools built in the 19th century. Four new primary schools are to be built and the first Church in Wales comprehensive is to be established in West Glamorgan. The grant will cover a further five major building projects at church primary schools.

Bigger FE budget

Cheshire County Council is to increase its further education budget for 1986-87. The additional resources will include £400,000 for the new, two-year Youth Training Scheme and an allocation of £30,000 to improve library and study facilities in several colleges of further education. Changes will also be removed from the reading and Braille courses for handicapped adults, and adult education fees for non-vocational courses will be frozen.



Sueh Gupta, presenter of a new BBC series "Switch on to English" launched a new book designed by the Government-funded Adult Literacy and Basic Skills Unit for his work in English as a second language. The stylized quotation marks will be used on the programme and the workbook, *Improve your English through television*, which ALBSU has produced to complement the series.

Sir Keith must go, says union

Sir Keith Joseph should resign now, says the president of UCAC, the Welsh Teachers' Union.

Mr Gwynllyf Phillips says Sir Keith has lost the confidence of teachers, heads, local authorities and state in his memory has succeeded in dismantling the very fabric of the education service," he told his union's annual conference in Aberystwyth.

He urged the Government to limit education. Shoddy buildings, low pay and morale were the outcome of inadequate funding.

On the academic front, he urged the Government to commit itself to bilingual education in Wales. He warned parents of the dangers of inadequately prepared GCSE syllabi could do to their children's education.

Four-term year plan supported by SHA

Proposals to reorganize the school year into four terms have been endorsed by the Secondary Heads Association.

Commenting on suggestions in an Association of County Councils' discussion document, *Education on Even Terms*, SHA says that real educational benefits would be created from a school year with a more even term length. A national pattern should be adopted, however, otherwise regional or local differences would create problems, particularly with teachers' contracts.

SHA also supports the introduction of an earlier and more concentrated examination season. This would begin in late April and extend over not more than five weeks, ending before the May leaving date. This could mean that marking priority would have to be given to GCSE rather than A level results, due to a shorter marking period.

Under SHA's plan, the summer break in June/July would be five weeks longer than four, and there would be a two-week Easter holiday. Where Easter fell outside a suggested two-week school break, occasional days could be used to cover the two bank holidays involved.

The May Day, Spring, and August Bank Holidays, which would otherwise occur in term time, could also be covered by occasional days, and five other days could be used to create two long-weekend "half terms" in the two terms before and after Christmas.

SHA agrees that pupil holidays should be longer than teacher holidays, to provide time for an INSET programme in every school.



Secondary heads favour a five-week summer break.

Sacked head gets hearing

The former headteacher of St George's School, Stowmarket, Suffolk, has won the right to a full hearing of a claim for unfair dismissal.

Mr Jeffrey Robinson, 50, told a preliminary hearing at an Industrial Tribunal in February that he had been pressured to sign an unsatisfactory contract of employment.

He felt he had a lot to offer the 300-place independent boarding school, but was deprived of effective powers as headteacher.

Mr Robinson joined the school in September, 1983, to replace Mr Derek Stede, who left amid widespread publicity about the running of the school. Mr Robinson claims he was dismissed unfairly after 18 months.

The date of the full hearing has yet to be fixed.

Demo scuffles

Four people were arrested after police struggled with demonstrators outside the Ulster Teachers' Union conference in Newcastle, County Down last week. A group of 40 demonstrators, carrying placards against the Anglo-Irish agreement, had tried to prevent education minister Dr Brian Mahoney from attending the conference. In the disturbances the police were punched and pelted with eggs, and delegates' cars were attacked.

Independent schools hear the free-market Tory case for educational reform

DES aide keeps vouchers on agenda

by Jill Sherman

Speculation that the Government is still planning to introduce some kind of school voucher system was given added weight last week by Mr Stuart Sexton, the Education Secretary's special adviser.

He told a political forum at the annual conference of the Independent Schools' Association - which represents some 300 heads of preparatory and other schools - that the main reason for introducing vouchers would be to raise education standards in State schools.

Mr Sexton said: "The driving force within the Conservatives for some kind of voucher is not to boost independent schools. The major incentive is to find an effective mechanism to increase parental choice and therefore raise standards in the State system of education through market forces."

The Conservatives' aim was to increase achievement standards of all, he said, particularly those in maintained schools who accounted for 94 per cent of pupils. Parents should be free to choose and the State free to respond.

Mr Sexton made it clear that the voucher system had not been discarded. He said: "If we could have a system whereby, having collected rates and taxes, you gave the parents the cost of a free place then let the country decide what proportion of schools finishes up independently or State-run."

He reaffirmed the Government's commitment to independent schools and said the Conservatives would be strongly opposed to imposing taxation or taking away charitable status.

He also reiterated Government support for the Assisted Places Scheme for which he was chiefly responsible. It now covered 25,000 children and was working well but needed to expand, he said. More ways were needed for more parents to choose what was best for their children, whether it was direct grant or Crown schools or more assisted places.

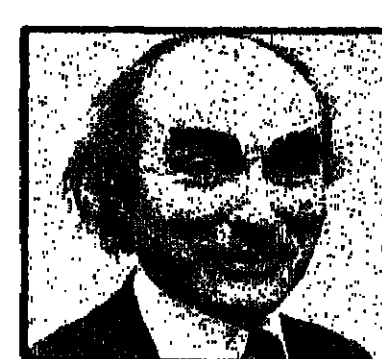
Mr John Denham, education spokesman for the Labour Party on Hampshire county council, told the conference in Bournemouth that the

introduction of a voucher system would leave the education system in "an appalling state of flux". Schools were already facing serious reorganizational problems because of falling rolls.

A voucher system would lead to more regular closures of maintained schools, disrupting the education of children forced to leave one school to go to another. The Labour Party was committed to creating a fully comprehensive system with each child having equal access to the best education available, said Mr Denham. "We don't want that derided by the ability to pay."

It would be difficult to fit independent schools into this scheme, he said. The Labour Party was committed to abolishing public subsidy and charitable status and putting an end to the State buying independent places, he said. It also intended to phase out the charging of fees.

Mr Mike Bruce, a member of the SDP's education and training policy group, denied there was any difference



Stuart Sexton

between the Liberals and the SDP on education policy. But he admitted that, although the Liberals were opposed to charitable status, the Social Democrats would give no commitment either way until they examined the legal implications more closely. Both parties were opposed to the Assisted Places Scheme because it took able children away from the State system, he said.

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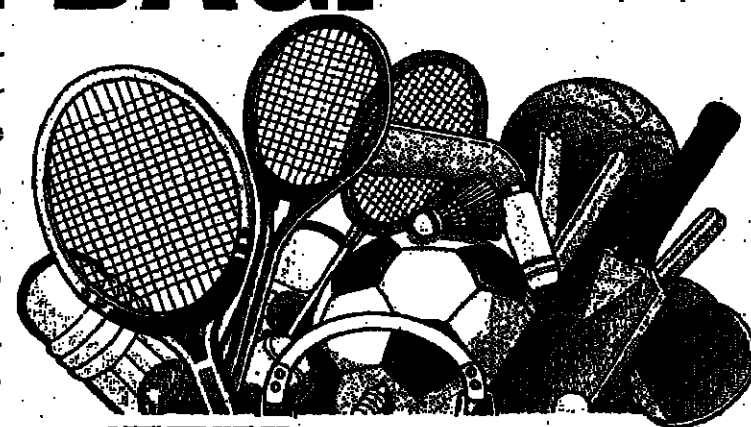
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Susannah Kirkman reports from the National Association for the Teaching of English annual conference in York

Concerned staff turn to subject group

The isolating effects of the teachers' pay dispute and concern at growing curricular centralization have led to a resurgence for the National Association for the Teaching of English.

This year's conference at York University last week was its largest, and membership has more than doubled over the past three years to nearly 3,000.

The association's president, Mr Patrick Scott, said: "Teachers have been starved of contact with each other. Some have not had a departmental meeting for more than a year."

He felt English teachers needed the support of a subject association more than ever: "What we do in the classroom is far more likely to be prescribed by advisers, HMI or the DES. You can't do your own thing any more."

NATE has grown in confidence because it has long been advocating the oral and coursework assessment now adopted by the GCSE. But it does not believe that subject content for English can be laid down in the same way as for science, for instance.

"Children come to school with a language already. You can't impose an outside conception on them as you can in other subjects," said Mr Scott.

Teachers are also worried about the attempts to define objectives by the now notorious HMI curriculum statement *English 5 to 16* and in the grade criteria for GCSE.

They are confused by the contrasts between the document, with its lists of objectives for each age group, and the GCSE, with its radical approach to

assessment. "The DES seems to be speaking with different voices," commented Ms Henrietta Dombey, the NATE's vice-president.

There are fears that the integrated approach to English language and literature of the GCSE national criteria, which say that the same reading material may be used in English and English literature courses, may squeeze literature off the curriculum, and force English departments to fight for space on the timetable.

And teachers are anxious that i.e.s.s will compel schools to use the GCSE syllabuses of the nearest examining group. "We don't want to be hijacked into syllabuses we don't want by i.e.s.s who won't pay for teachers to attend trial marking meetings outside their area," said one NATE member.

Others are concerned about the extra workload which coursework assessment for the GCSE will bring. One teacher estimated that this would mean 1,300 extra hours of work a year in a department of 10 teachers, enough work for an extra one-and-a-half staff members.

The association is doing its best to provide support and to influence the DES agenda. It will shortly produce booklets to advise teachers on coursework marking. It is also pressing for the reform of A level syllabuses to include more coursework and creative writing and a greater choice of set texts.

In its forthcoming response to the proposals of the Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Training, NATE

has urged the DES not to turn back the clock by introducing two years of specialized subject study for students.

Ms Dombey, a lecturer in primary education, said: "Sir Keith Joseph seems to have the simplistic notion that primary teachers are lacking in subject knowledge. But most colleges have abandoned this kind of course as irrelevant to the demands of the primary classroom."

The NATE believes that subject specialization would also allow less time for students with other subjects to do general courses in language and literacy. Training courses should "give priority to preparing students to become effective class teachers, able to handle the full curriculum," says the NATE statement.

Pressure for more new tech training

NATE has called for better in-service teacher training on new technology.

One or two days is not enough for teachers who may need to practise new styles of classroom management, says the association in its report *English Teaching and the New Technology*. It says: "Computers lend themselves to small group work, a mode of organization which may be unfamiliar to many, especially in the secondary sector."

Training programmes should be based on schools and managed by i.e.s.s, the report adds. A central agency, such as the Micro-electronic Education Programme, cannot be sensitive enough to the needs of individual institutions nor provide effective continuity.

NATE also criticizes the uneven distribution of computers in schools. The creation of "computer rooms" does not help English teachers who want to encourage group work. The report suggests that every English department should have its own computer, or at least have easy access to one.

The report welcomes the money to be made available to i.e.s.s for purchasing software, but urges the DES to fund the development of new software.

English Teaching and the New Technology: Into the 1990s, is published by NATE. Copies are available at 50p each from NATE, 49 Bromsgrove Road, Sheffield S10 2NA.



Dale Spender... novelists undervalued

A plea for women's writes

Equal education for both sexes can only be provided if teachers renegeate women and their achievements in the curriculum, according to Ms Dale Spender, a feminist academic.

Her research has shown that the work of a hundred eighteenth-century women novelists had disappeared because it had been undervalued by men. Defoe had been credited as the writer of the first novel in English, yet women such as Aphra Behn and Eliza Haywood were writing and publishing novels before Robinson Crusoe appeared.

In the eighteenth century, the novel was considered a "woman's form" and

men had to use female pseudonyms to get into print, Ms Spender asserted. She told the conference that it was a "gross distortion" to imagine that women's contribution to literature had been inferior to men's and to use this as an excuse for excluding women's literature from English syllabuses.

Education undermined girls' confidence by affirming men's achievements and ignoring women's. Almost every teacher Ms Spender had interviewed provided evidence that lessons were planned to interest boys, as "the entire education process would be disrupted if the boys did not get what they wanted". Boys became "troublesome" if asked

to talk about or take an interest in girls' experience, which they saw as inferior, Ms Spender added.

It was within the power of English teachers to "give women their literary heritage" and to ensure that the valuable heritages of both sexes co-existed and contributed to each other.

If women were no longer made to disappear from the curriculum, schools would be "on the way to providing a more sound, sane and empowering education - for both sexes," she concluded.

Mothers of the Novel by Dale Spender will be published next month by Pandora Press.

Exams wreck love of literature

education and prevent students switching off.

Disenchantment started with O level. Forty per cent of the O level candidates in the Hull survey said they did not enjoy the books they had to read and criticized the "monotonous" styles of learning imposed by the exam - "the way we have to go through the books by reading a bit, then picking it to pieces, then writing up notes and then doing essays," as one put it.

Copied down the teacher's notes was the most common teaching method used in O level classes, although it was unpopular with many pupils - who also protested that the exam was too short to allow time for adequate answers.

There was not enough choice in the questions and there was too much emphasis on memory. Open book exams, an oral element and more coursework assessment would improve the exam, many pupils suggested.

Not surprisingly, A level students were more positive about the exam and the methods of preparing for it. Like the O level candidates, they disliked the imposed syllabus, the shortage of time in the exam and the feeling that "the exam is not a true test of literature knowledge, just how fast the candidate can write and how many points can be stored in the mind".

But nearly half of the sixth-form students and a third of the O level candidates still felt they had been encouraged to make their own personal responses to set books. Only one in 10 believed they had been "force-fed" or "brainwashed".

However, at O level, pupils still thought that the teacher's views were "more correct" than their own. "A lot of my ideas do not agree with my teacher, but after she has explained it, I can see where I have been going wrong," commented one pupil.

And although A level candidates welcomed the greater opportunity for discussion in classes, they also believed that it was usually safer to adopt the teacher's ideas if they wanted to pass the exam. An "impulsive" response could be a "great mistake," one student thought, as "the only way to get an A level is to put what the examiner wants to read".

The results of the Hull pilot study will be published in *Teaching Literature for Examinations*, Open University Press, later this month.

A pioneering local approach to fighting youngsters' drug abuse is to be the model for a national Health Education Council campaign.

Mr Bob Newman, deputy education director in the Wirral, told a local authority conference workshop in Nottingham how his borough council had taken the innovative steps of linking drug education with general health information, and of aiming the campaign at children as young as nine.

Money from the voluntary sector had been used to produce health education packs, which covered everything from dangerous household chemicals such as bleach and weed killer, to alcohol and cigarettes as well as hard drugs.

All 93 primary schools in the authority now had a teacher acting as a voluntary co-ordinator, and four advisory teachers had also been appointed.

But Mr Newman said it was crucial to use experts whenever possible for putting the message across: "Children very quickly suss out who is talking from direct experience and understanding and who is talking from received knowledge with no direct experience."

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German industrial successes prompt a new look at training scheme options

MSC backing for Meister classes

The Manpower Services Commission is backing moves to introduce the German Meister system into Britain's factories, which could lead to profound changes in their approach to training - including the revival of apprenticeships in a modernized form.

Meisters (masters) are highly trained and vocationally educated craftsmen who are given wide responsibility for supervising production and training in German factories. A series of recent studies by British researchers has suggested that they play a key role in industrial performance and are an important factor in the enviable success of the German training system.

The MSC, together with the engineering industry training board, is supporting the first two Meister training courses to be run in this country. The students come from the toolmaking industry, but the City and Guilds' Institute, which has for some years been convinced of the potential value of "super craftsmen", is interested in promoting Meister training throughout manufacturing and in appropriate service industries.

Meister are the successors of the master craftsmen who owned and ran manufacturing throughout Europe from the Middle Ages up to the Industrial Revolution and were responsible for passing on their skills through the apprenticeship system.

But while Britain's nineteenth-century mill owners could see no place for them in factory production, the Germans - more serious about training and more respectful of practical skill - made the mastercraftsmen tradition serve the needs of the new industrial system.

The two British courses, run at the Buckinghamshire College of Higher Education and by a Coventry training agency in conjunction with a local further education college, follow a study by a toolmaking industry working party of their German competitors.

It scribbled a key role to the Meister system in accounting for the German companies' superior performance. This aspect of the working party's study caused a stir among industrialists

and led to a further detailed study of the Meister system which has now been published by the National Economic Development Office.

The study depicts the Meister as responsible for the total manufacturing operation in smaller companies and as the chief mediator between management and workers in big firms. The report says his key role is based on the sum of his school education, apprenticeship, further training and work experience.

At present, at least four in five Meister are products of the secondary schools - roughly the equivalent of the former British secondary modern in Germany's still-selective system - and only one in six has the equivalent of an O level.

But to gain Meister status, craftsmen must pass an official examination which includes knowledge of the law and commerce, economics, personnel

management, and the techniques of training apprentices.

While the *Handwerksmeister* who work in small factories have to submit to tests of their own crafts skills, the *Industriemeister* in the bigger companies have instead to give test lessons to apprentices.

The examination covers the theory and practice of vocational education, including teaching methods, materials, assessment, careers guidance and the labour market, group psychology, and the motivation and behavioural patterns of young people in and out of the workplace.

The first British courses - based on once-a-week day release studies over two-and-a-half years - appear to be rather less ambitious in their scope.

The 30 students, supervisors and junior managers are being trained in practical knowledge of the latest techniques of toolmaking and in management skills which include 100 hours of instruction in training.

The MSC says that the prospect of

courses for other sectors of industry is exciting, and that it is important that all such courses should give priority to the practical aspects of manufacture.

Graduates in many disciplines who already have plenty of theoretical knowledge could benefit and strengthen shopfloor management, it says.

City and Guilds, on whose syllabuses the technical studies in the two pilot courses are based, are awarding their licentiate - the "super craftsman" certificate - to those who complete them. Mr Basil Henson, CGLI's controller, says: "Our committees are now pressing us to go ahead with Meister courses."

He points out that there are already similar concepts operating, such as the "master chef" qualification in catering. The prospect that the use of practically-trained craftsmen is to take responsibility for production rather than theoretically educated junior managers may become a new orthodoxy in mainstream manufacturing is highly gratifying to the Institute.

Edited by Mark Jackson

Jobs drive by Young

A campaign called "Action for Jobs" was announced by the Government this week. Its aim is to get more people to take advantage of the Government's temporary employment, training, and small business support programmes.

More than £1.6 million is to be spent over the next three months in advertising the programmes and on publicizing a booklet describing them. Employment ministers will tour the country speaking to seminars of employers and other selected groups.

Lord Young, the Employment Secretary, said that the campaign was a marketing operation and did not include any new measures to create jobs, despite its title. It was prompted by market research in which half the employees questioned could not name a single one of the Government schemes.

Lord Young said although the research was carried out last July, the campaign could not be launched until this year's Budget was out of the way.

New survey on careers

by Owen Surridge

Careers education in secondary schools is to get its first major survey since that prompted by Mrs Thatcher when Education Secretary in 1973.

The investigation is being mounted by the National Association of Careers and Guidance Teachers, and Sir Keith Joseph has asked to see the results.

The work is being carried out by David Cleaton, the head of careers services in East Sussex. Questionnaires seeking detailed information about all careers work are being sent to secondary schools nationally. It is hoped analysis of returns will be completed in time for publication of the results in the early summer.

In an appeal for the co-operation of careers teachers, Mr Cleaton said: "We stand to gain by providing Sir Keith with the results of our survey - but we risk ridicule if only a small number of teachers respond."

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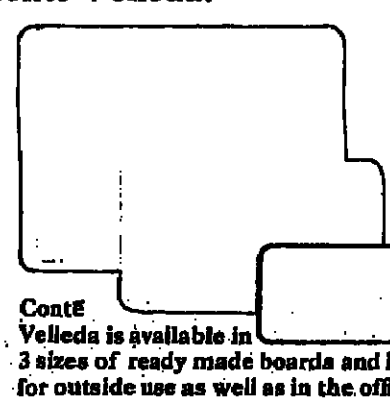
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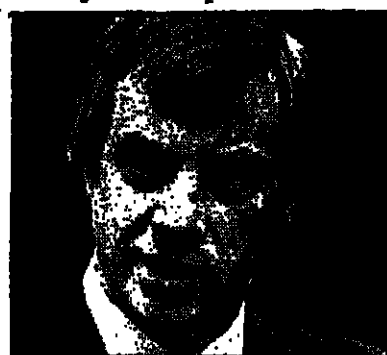
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Pay and conditions not the biggest problems - Patten

by Diane Spencer



Chris Patten: wretched year

Questions over the way the education system is organized, delivered and paid for were raised by Mr Chris Patten, the Minister of State for Education, in his address to the AMMA conference in Cardiff last Friday.

"Other countries have a national service, centrally directed and controlled," he said. "Some critics advocate though no other countries practise it - a market solution."

Mr Patten said that the past year had been a wretched one for everyone in education and was applauded when he added: "Unless we sort these questions out soon we shall risk the creation of a job society and an impoverished culture."

There were more fundamental problems facing the education system than pay and conditions of service.

"The root question is whether the school system is delivering in its pupils the standards of educational achievement which they and the nation need. To the extent that there may be doubt about the achievement of those standards, doubt is cast on the performance of the various parts of the system, and the relationships between them."

There was evidence from the Inspectorate that standards generally reached by pupils were insufficient to equip them for the next century.

"I do not regard that as a scandalous attack on teachers, or on ministers for that matter, but a well-founded and

immensely serious challenge to us all." The system could be challenged on philosophical grounds or on financial effectiveness. "But the main and most generally convincing reason for challenge - certainly to a Tory - is that based on quality."

Should corrective action be aimed at changing the system or making the existing system of partnership work a great deal better? he asked.

"In reaching a judgement on this we should not let entrenched interests stand in the way of what is best for the nation's children, nor seek to bend the facts to suit our prejudices. The need to balance the untested but possible benefits of radical change against the short and medium-term problems it would cause has also to be borne in mind."

No confidence vote for man at the top

The traditionally middle-of-the-road union took the unprecedented step of passing, overwhelmingly, a motion of no confidence in Sir Keith Joseph.

Mr Brian Ogden from Warrington, catalogued a list of the Education Secretary's shortcomings: his leaked comments during the pay dispute, his failure to lead the way in the struggle to improve standards, his failure to lead the way in the struggle to improve standards, his failure to lead the way in the struggle to improve standards.

Mr Liz Sample, a Scale 1 remedial

teacher from Warrington, said redeployment, cuts and amalgamations had damaged her optimism.

Dr Bernard Knowles, who teaches at the independent Bailey Grammar School, said the motion would upset the association's moderate image and strain AMMA's relations with the DES.

Summing up, Mr Ogden said: "The gentlemen of the press tell Sir Keith he is not doing his job. Why shouldn't we?"

Mr Patten assured delegates that providing a suitable curriculum was a shared responsibility, not a matter for the Secretary of State alone.

"We need the partners: it is central to our policy that each local authority should have its policy, and each school its policy for the curriculum, so that each partner can more effectively discharge his responsibilities for the good education of our children."

The Government believed that parents had much to contribute and should be involved as partners. The new Education Bill recognized this. Parents should be well informed about their children's schools and choose them on the basis of adequate and up-to-date information.

● The present partnership between central government, local authorities, teachers and parents, is still the best way to run Britain's schools, if it can be made to work properly, Mr Patten told a CBI conference on Wednesday.

He said: "Unless we make the partnership work more successfully in delivering high quality education then I am convinced that the advocates of more radical solutions will get their way."

Referring to his speech to the AMMA conference, he added: "What I thought was a statement of the blatantly obvious and a speech I had made several times beforehand achieved some notoriety."

He is no slumping political virgin crying rape because we're telling him we have no confidence in him."

● The assembly voted to ballot members on industrial action agreeing that the "trigger figure" should be 60 per cent of those voting.

Mr Vaughan Richards of Bridgend said that 52.5 per cent was adequate. Sir Sid Matthews from Bradford, said 60 per cent would "commit the association to almost total inactivity".

Braced by sea breezes

The National Union of Teachers left Blackpool '86, "the no-cover conference", in re-invigorated and confident mood.

It had stood firm on continuing industrial action, endorsed its policy of going to talk with "the three wise men" at Aca, strengthened its determination at not stepping in for absent colleagues, except in the direst emergency, and raised the stakes in trying to get the GCSE exam postponed.

The emotional temperature had risen steeply during five days of debate, from a low-key start to a highly-charged finale when attempts to ban cover even in emergencies foundered in a card vote by just 8,500.

Delegates loudly applauded appeals for continuing militancy on pay and conditions and a defence of the state education system.

Yet the spectre of the courts remains. Will the union stand firm if the judges, after all appeals, decide against them?

The fervour of "no-cover" debates and the victory for the executive in fighting off attempts to introduce an immediate ban may all be forgotten if the High Court case at present in progress goes against the union.

Secondary teachers were pleased as conference demanded a strengthening of the campaign for postponement, better planning and organization for the GCSE.

Yet here too now lurks the possibility of legal action if teachers decide merely to teach what will be officially extinct O and CSE level syllabuses instead, a fact of which the more cautious union executive is all too well aware.



James Meikle reflects on a week spent in Blackpool with NUT delegates

And what will the parents think of their children's education, already disrupted by the pay campaign, being put in further jeopardy because of a new row over qualifications?

The union is already sensitive about public opinion. Members in individual schools have been told to explain their case on pay better.

Fifteen months of pay action have politicized more members on traditional trade union issues.

Long-running struggles over whether union power should lie within the schools or with a central structure carrying out conference policy still raise their head. But differences in the pay and conditions battle were over means rather than ends.

Executive members talked of a strengthening unity, achieved partly as a result of their stomping the country to keep up morale during the long dispute.

Differences between vocal, long-standing activists and a once-silent majority are now less easy to spot.

But whether the union has swung to the left on other issues in the last year is less evident.

And teachers and equal opportunities campaigns achieved consensus backing. The leadership quite easily so-

cured its line on patient building for change, but demands for more positive action will be back on future conference agendas - black sections within the union, women members within the union guaranteed special places on the executive and fighting for minimum quotas of promotion posts for women in schools.

There was also some muscle-flexing gestures in the direction of long-standing rivals, the National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers. Rousing support was given to demands that the NUT leadership should seek ways of merging with the NAS/UWT, so that the NUT could set an example to their colleagues with "imaginative, far-sighted" policies.

Yet the day after that debate, newspapers were reporting not only that NAS/UWT officials had reacted with caution to a marriage but that the rival conference in Scarborough had given a stirring reaffirmation of the need to delay GCSE.

So one of the strongest arguments used at Blackpool for a strengthening of position on the GCSE came from the desire to make sure that the NUT to give the same "unequivocal" opposition.

The euphoria is now over. It is back to the classroom for the membership, back to the negotiating table for the leadership.

But should the Aca-inspired initiative fail - and the portents are not good - words on further action will have to be turned into deeds.

Then we will see if former president Gordon Green's words that NUT also stand for No U Turn have any meaning.

Bert Lodge and James Meikle conclude their reports from the NAS/UWT conference

Sir Keith suffers in silence

The agony of Sir Keith Joseph at the hands of the National Association of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers in Scarborough was memorable not only for the disciplined, effective snub he received from delegates.

The Education Secretary was stung into a counter-attack straight from the heart, rather than from the mind - a tactic previously employed which has provided some tortuous, detailed but ultimately boring addresses.

He must have known that something special was in the air when he told his hosts he was "appalled by the damage to the education of children deliberately inflicted by some teachers during the recent long dispute," and was heard in stony silence.

He finished his address, in which he repeated that GCSE was still coming in September - to an almost soundless audience. One lonely, hesitant clapper was hushed.

Then it was question time. There was loud applause for one teacher who asked if he and his colleagues were

undervalued. There was appreciation for an inquiry on special schools. But there was a standing ovation for Hampshire teacher Mr Mick Mumford when he announced: "You have completely lost the confidence of the teaching profession."

When calm was restored, Mr Mumford continued: "Do you consider it necessary to regain our confidence? If so, how do you propose to rectify a potentially dangerous situation?"

The shaken minister, who had earlier apologized for having a cold, was now caught cold. He was slow to recover.

Sir Keith said: "I wonder if it would be right to seek the confidence of the teaching profession and forget the interests of the children." He added: "Although the motivation and professionalism of teachers is crucial, crucial for better education, the purpose of the education service is for the children."

"I am a man who has constantly praised good teachers. I am also a man

who has noted the fact that, as in any other calling in life, not everyone is good, not everyone is effective.

"It may well be the press picks on that element of criticism and you are hurt."

Sir Keith then missed, in the eyes of delegates, a chance to comment on the Poundswick dispute.

Then it was the turn of the union's general secretary, Mr Fred Smithies, gently to twist the knife. "It must not be the case that seeking the confidence of teachers and serving the interests of children should be seen in conflict." He warned of catastrophe in schools, with pay levels for teachers at the heart of the crisis.

Sir Keith gave himself the right of reply and by now had recovered his composure. He wound up by saying that if Mr Smithies was right that both teachers and ministers shared the aim of raising standards for all children, "why is it that it was I as minister who emphasized how little a large minority of children seem to get from 11 years' compulsory education? It was not the

teachers' associations who focused on that."

Afterwards, most delegates seemed to feel pleased with their demonstration, congratulating themselves that it had been more dignified and adult than heckling and interruptions.

All the more pity then that an exhibition from the rostrum in the morning flawed the day's dignity. A local authority memorandum entitled "How to deal with cuts", and obviously influenced by the present AIDS scare, recommended teachers donning plastic gloves and apron and hosing down the victim.

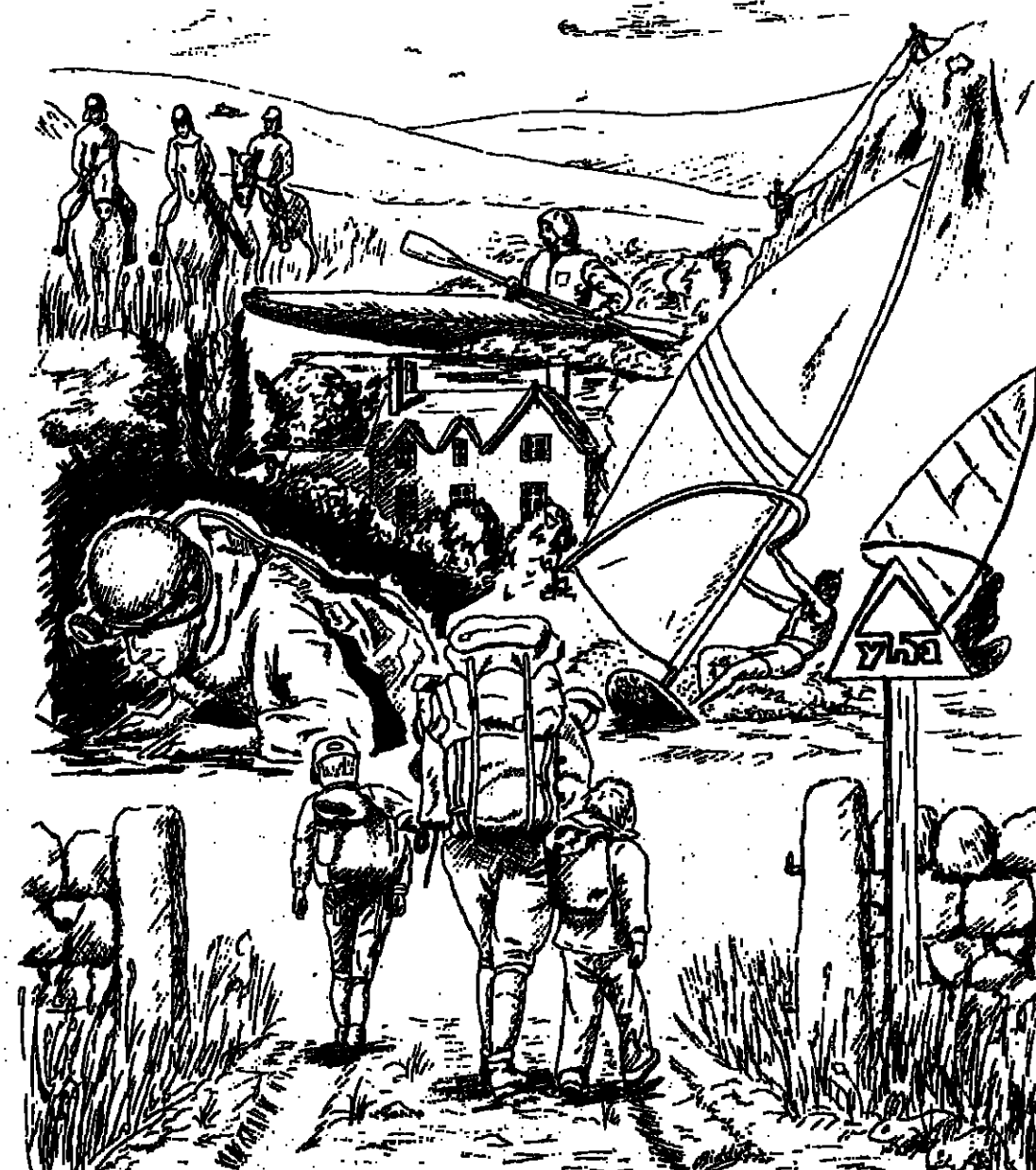
It had come to the attention of Mr Jack Whiteside, Richmond, who was so pleased with himself at spotting a pun on "cuts" that he was blinded to the tasteless way he developed it.

"He (Sir Keith) has had the same effect on the education service as AIDS had on Rock Hudson," he said. Warning to the theme he then produced and apron and gloves for the president to wear when he greeted Sir Keith in the afternoon. It drew more embarrassment than laughter.



Sir Keith Joseph: a counter-attack

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OVERSEAS

Power changes – but 3Rs still rule

FRANCE Mary Follain reports no change in education policy

It's official – there'll be no change in France's school system following last month's general election.

Only minutes after his appointment, the new right-wing education minister, M. René Monory, announced his approval of most of the changes introduced by his Socialist predecessor, M. Jean Pierre Chevènement. And at the traditional ceremony marking the transfer of responsibility between the two men, he repeated his support for M. Chevènement's reforms. "I am here to get things moving. I am largely in agreement with most of my predecessor's guidelines and I've no intention of undoing what suits me. There won't be a Monory reform."

It seems there will be less of a hiatus between a Socialist and Conservative minister than there was when M. Chevènement took over from fellow Socialist M. Alain Savary. Indeed, it's hard to see how M. Monory could replace M. Chevènement's reforms with anything more right-wing, since

nothing could be more conservative than the ideals which inspired them.

The "republican elitism" so dear to M. Chevènement meant none other than the pursuit and nurture of excellence to enable France to stand up to world economic competition. The word "elitism" was a red rag to many of M. Chevènement's own party supporters who felt his predecessor's efforts to help the underprivileged and under-achievers in the new "education priority zones" were being thrown away.

The Right's concern over falling standards and lack of discipline was shared by M. Chevènement who published revised curricula detailing the knowledge and skills to be acquired at various levels and – to the dismay again of many left-wing educationists – brought back an exam at the end of lower secondary to check on progress.

Parents approved of his insistence that teachers spend more time instilling the three Rs and less on controversial, vaguely defined "motivation" activities which were part of the post 1968 upheaval in French education. Right-wing parents and teaching unions had often denounced the dabbling of school walls and unprepared outings as time wasting by lazy teachers.

M. Monory, a former industrialist

who has already served as finance minister, thoroughly approves of his predecessor's ambitious drive to educate 80 per cent of all young people to "baccalaureate" level. He will certainly continue the former Socialist government's "information technology for all" programme, since as Mayor of Loudun (near Poitiers), he pioneered the introduction of computers into schools in his region.

M. Monory's moderation has already upset some of his right-wing supporters, most of whom hope for a speedy implementation of the election pledge to repeal the "Savary law" affecting universities and private school fees.

His own glamorous and erudite junior minister for schools, Madame Michèle Alliot-Marie, did not mince her words during the campaign, accusing M. Chevènement of demagoguery, of telling people what they wanted to hear and neglecting the interests of pupils themselves.

His computer programme was "bluff aimed at public opinion", she said – schools were not equipped to house any computers they were sent. "They lacked maintenance funds and trained teachers to use them, and insufficient

thought had been given to their use in education."

She said M. Chevènement was pursuing "a policy of prestige" and seeking to improve his personal reputation.

Madame Alliot-Marie is the author of the Right's election platform for education whose recommendations are more far reaching than M. Monory acknowledges. The two ministers will work together, but M. Monory may feel his hands are no more tied by the election platform than M. Chevènement's were by the 1981 Socialist election platform – which he wrote.

It seems that schools will now have some respite from sweeping reforms. Action is now likely to shift upwards to the universities rather than sideways from left to right. The ministers say their first priority is preparation of the budget for the coming school year (always a vast operation in the centralized French system).

Meanwhile, in the ministry, M. Monory is putting his "cabinet" together, appointing close advisers – "less feverishly" he says, than many of his colleagues. Staff are surrounded by cardboard boxes and wondering who they will be working for while secretaries while away their time knitting.



Michèle Alliot-Marie

British Council to close another teaching centre

The British Council is to close another of its English teaching centres in Venezuela because it cannot afford the subsidy.

Numbers at the Ciudad Guayana centre, which has eight teachers and 272 students, have been dropping as a result of the country's harsh economic climate and the council sees no prospect of making good the loss in income through raising fees any further.

An expected deficit of \$61,000 this year could rise to \$75,000 by the end of the 1986-87 financial year, the council says. Discussions with Venezuela's State Development Corporation have

failed to raise a cash subsidy or the guarantee of sufficient sponsored students to break even.

So the council, which has lost more than a fifth of its Government grant since 1979, has reluctantly told the centre it must close in July.

This is the second English teaching centre in Venezuela to be closed by the council within a year. The first was in Maracaibo, where the net annual cost to the council was running at more than \$100,000.

The British Council currently has 47 teaching centres in 32 countries.

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Landmark conference ends black boycotts

SOUTH AFRICA

Susan Fleming on why black pupils have decided to go back to school

About 1,500 delegates at a landmark conference on the black education crisis in South Africa recently voted in favour of black pupils returning to school this month.

This crucial decision could help to break the pattern of boycotts which has ravaged black schools over the past few years.

The National Education Crisis Committee (NECC) conference, which was marred by violence that left two people dead, was attended by pupils, parents and teachers from 600 areas. It was held in the coastal town of Durban over the Easter weekend and was a follow-up to a similar conference held at the University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg in December last year.

The December conference resolved that children should return to school in January, but it gave the Government three months to meet a number of demands. If those demands were not met "action would be taken", including a total boycott of classes.

Although the NECC claimed the demands – which included the lifting of

the state of emergency and the recognition of the Congress of South African Students (COSAS) banned last year – had not been "adequately met", the children decided that it was important to attend school.

The NECC stressed that it had not "given in to the Government" by deciding that pupils should return to school.

The keynote speaker at the conference, Mr Zwelakhe Sisulu, editor of the newspaper *New Nation*, said the Government had been forced to lift the state of emergency.

"They knew that the eyes of the whole country would be on the decisions of this conference and they hoped that the lifting of the emergency would defuse a programme of united action. "We know that they intend reimposing the emergency in another form. But we must not let this happen. We must frustrate this scheme," said Mr Sisulu.

The NECC condemned the Government for its "intransigence" in not recognizing COSAS. It also called for the end of bans on all political organizations, the stopping of all treason trials, the release of all political detainees and the "complete dismantling" of apartheid.

The children accepted returning to school on the condition that a "people's education" system was implemented.

A "people's education committee" was appointed to examine the needs in black education. It will report back to the NECC within three months.

This new education formula will not be modelled on white education – a system of learning based on training for dominance. It will be in line with the new democratic, non-racial South Africa of the future and will enable each child to reach his or her potential, said Dr. Beyers Naude, the general secretary of the South African Council of Churches.

A new political development was the decision that children should no longer be the focus of the struggle for building a new South Africa. United mass action was needed involving the whole black community.

To demonstrate this mass action, the conference called for a national stay-away to celebrate the 100th anniversary of May Day. It also called for a three-day national stay-away on June 16, 17 and 18 to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the Soweto uprising.

The Department of Education and Training, which controls the black schools, has welcomed the decision to resume classes.

Mr Job Shosman, the chief of public relations at the DET, said he hoped that black schools would now run normally. He said that the planned three-day stay-away would not affect pupils as it fell during school holidays.

Writing on the walls

DENMARK

An asbestos panic is causing chaos in Danish schools. Christopher Follett reports

Warnings from the Danish health authorities about the allegedly high risk of contracting lung cancer from inhaling asbestos fibres from interior ceilings, walls and floors have closed many schools, disrupting teaching and causing chaos among schoolchildren and their parents.

The education authorities estimate that asbestos panelling is used widely in classrooms in over half of Denmark's 2,000 *folkeskoler* (state primary and lower secondary schools), as well as in one in five of the country's kindergartens.

The asbestos panic reached its peak last year, when the sup-

plies, backed by the national union of teachers, closed 29 of Copenhagen's 70 *folkeskoler*, forcing classes to be held in the crypts of churches, huts, nursing homes, orphanages and other makeshift accommodations.

In other cases, schools were sent off on premature or prolonged Easter holidays to allow workmen to move in and remove the dangerous asbestos panels. It is estimated that stripping asbestos from the 81 out of the total of 117 schools in which it is known to be in use in Copenhagen will cost at least 50 million Danish crowns (\$4 million).

During the coming months, half of the Danish capital's and a sizeable proportion of the rest of the country's *folkeskoler* are expected to suffer short- or long-term partial or total closure as workmen either totally remove asbestos from classrooms or paint it over and seal it with plastic protective materials. A total ban on using asbestos materials indoors is to be imposed

in Denmark this spring by the Government.

● The teaching of Danish in Denmark's primary, lower and upper secondary schools is to be tightened up. The move – announced by Mr Bertel Haarder, the Liberal minister of education – follows the publication of a shock report revealing that more than 25 per cent of student teachers at training colleges are unable to spell correctly and have difficulty with punctuation.

Compulsory Danish language teaching is now to be increased from 90 to 140 hours per annum at teacher training colleges, with old-fashioned spelling and grammar tests reintroduced. Over the past 20 years, Danish – a language spoken by only five million people – has suffered a dramatic 40 per cent drop in teaching hours at primary and secondary schools in its native country because of cuts in the educational budget.

Pet projects win as Bennett throws his dice

UNITED STATES

A secret distribution of research grants has led to charges of favouritism. Bill Norris reports

Education Secretary William Bennett is in trouble for giving away \$2.6 million (£1.7 million) to schools, research institutions and education associations of his choice – and failing to tell anyone about it.

It is difficult to keep that sort of secret in the United States. The news duly leaked out and was seized upon by an organization known as Americans United for Separation of Church and State. It transpired that a \$40,000 grant had been given to the National Catholic Education Association (NCEA) to fund a study on choice and the impact of Catholic schools on students from low income families.

Robert Maddox, executive director of Americans United, complained that this was probably unconstitutional. He also suspected that Mr Bennett, himself a Catholic, was loading the dice in his own favour.

"It is realistic," he asked, "to expect the NCEA, which is in the business of promoting religious education, to produce an objective or critical study of Catholic schools?"

Mr Maddox also charged that Mr Bennett was using taxpayers' money to subsidize one side (his own) in the

growing political debate over education vouchers. The grants included one of \$62,650 to fund a newsletter on the subject by the Clearinghouse on Educational Choice – a body known to be in favour of the voucher scheme.

There were also sums of \$80,000 to a New York school district for work on "expanding parental choice in education", and \$89,913 to a Louisiana business group for a study on the legal constraints facing vouchers.

Americans United is to lobby Congress in a bid to limit such grants to serious educational research. "No funds should be permitted to go to sectarian organizations," said Mr Maddox in a letter to the Education Secretary. "No funds should go to groups advocating only one side of controversial political topics."

No one is suggesting that Mr Bennett has acted illegally. The money has been taken from discretionary funds at his disposal. A statement by the Education Department this week said the Secretary had the authority to set priorities for such funds, and had decided to support projects related to his "Three Cs" agenda of choice, character and content.

"As always," said the statement, "the awards were made only after review by competent, impartial, outside authorities. The complaint by Americans United has no merit, legal or otherwise."

Asked why there had been no public announcement of the disputed grants, the spokesman said publicity for other Education Department activities "took precedence".



Puppy love... Katerina and her cocker spaniel

Peace mission for young Katerina

She met Frankenstein's monster and President Reagan, liking the one and being tactfully non-committal about the other. She ate French fries at McDonalds, sang and danced with a children's choir, visited an elementary school in Los Angeles, and went to Disneyland.

Now Katerina Lycheva, Russia's 11-year-old peace ambassador, is going home. She does not seem to be sorry. "I'm leaving the country with a profound sense of gratitude," she said with true diplomatic ambiguity.

Katerina has been visiting the United States to commemorate a similar trip to the Soviet Union in 1983 by American schoolgirl Samantha Smith. Samantha, who had been invited by the then Soviet leader Yuri Andropov, was killed last year in a plane crash.

The Soviet girl's invitation did not come from the White House, but from a private group in San Francisco. However, she did manage to see the President briefly, and passed him a message calling for the abolition of all nuclear weapons before she grew up.

"Mr Reagan said he would do his best," she said later. Asked what she thought of the President, Katerina replied: "I only saw him for about four minutes, so I cannot really pronounce any judgement on him."

Beginning in Chicago, Katerina's whirlwind two-week tour of the United States took her to five cities before ending in Los Angeles. There, during a tour of Universal Studios, she was able to put her head in King Kong's mouth and have her hand kissed by Frankenstein's monster. This was a success, but the organizers also gave her a private showing of *Rocky IV*, in which Sylvester Stallone fights a Soviet bionic man.

At this, Katerina's impeccable sense of diplomacy finally cracked. It was, she said, a distortion of Soviet life.

"There was not a word in that film that was true," she said. "Soviet people have open, friendly faces. I was frightened. I didn't know that kind of distortion was possible."

They did not show her *Rambo*, which may have been just as well.

Before she left Moscow, Katerina was quoted on the two things she wanted most in life. "I dream of peace and having a dog," she said.

This week, one of the dreams came true: the Americans gave her a three-month-old cocker spaniel puppy. The gift of peace may take a little longer.

Censorship fears resurface

JAPAN

History professor Saburo Ienaga has lost a decisive round in his 21-year legal battle against the Japanese education ministry's textbook screening system. Last month the Tokyo High Court rejected his claim for 1.87 million yen (\$7,000) in damages, and ruled that the screening and authorization of books for use in state schools does not violate the freedom of expression and academic freedom enshrined in the country's post-war constitution and basic education law.

The decision has revived fears of censorship and possible whitewashing of Japanese actions in the 1939-45 war. The book at issue was a 1962 history textbook by Professor Ienaga in which he had said that Japan "glorified" the war and "covered up" its atrocities. Judge Kyouichi Suzuki said the system did not constitute censorship, since disqualified textbooks could still be published for general readership, and he asserted that the government was entitled to intervene on educational content and method "within reasonable limits" in the interests of fairness.

Professor Ienaga's legal battle began in 1965, after the ministry had instructed him to change 323 passages in one of his history books if it were to be added to the list of approved texts. In 1974, Tokyo's district court found 19 of the revisions groundless and ordered the state to pay 100,000 yen in damages. That decision was also overturned by the High Court.

Meanwhile, in 1967 and 1981, Professor Ienaga started legal proceedings over the ministry's rejection of two other textbooks and is still awaiting a court hearing on both.

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Owing to the dramatic decline in the birth-rate in the 1970s, the population of 18 and 19-year-olds will drop by a third between 1985 and 1996. Some see it as a heaven-sent opportunity to cut expenditure on universities and polytechnics, others as a chance to increase the percentage of the population in full-time higher education, and so close the gap between us and our industrial competitors.

Predictably, those within education prefer the latter, and they have powerful allies in, for example, the CBI. The Government, although perhaps allowing some increase in the percentage of the age-cohort going on to higher education, also appears to favour public expenditure cuts. At the same time, it is trying to secure a switch towards science and technology.

Just how feasible is either of these goals? Since entry to science and technology courses currently depends upon the possession of an A level in mathematics, it is clear that the aims of both the Government and also of those who would not wish to see the HE sector reduced in size, will only be achieved if a greater proportion of students obtain A level maths (or else attend new elementary courses at university). Current developments suggest this is not very likely.

Perhaps the most worrying of the recent trends has been the drop in applicants to read those undergraduate courses which make strong mathematical demands. This year there has been a national drop in applicants through UCAS of 2.7 per cent, which is slightly greater than might have been expected solely because of the decrease in size of the age cohort.

However, in key science and technological courses the drop has been much more marked:

- 16 per cent in maths
- 13 per cent in computer studies
- 15 per cent in electronics
- 11 per cent in physics

Overall, engineering and technology show a drop of about 5 per cent. On the other hand, accountancy is up 21 per cent and business administration by 10 per cent.

It is too soon to know whether or not this drop in applicants mirrors a fall in the number entering for A level maths. One suspects that it does not. The numbers in recent years have been fairly stable, but the number of students with A level maths who have gone on to university or a polytechnic to read a non-scientific or non-technological subject, in particular business studies, has greatly increased.

What is more, an increasing number of sixth-formers are opting for a pure maths with statistics at A level, which although eminently suitable as a preparation for an undergraduate course in, say, business studies or biology, is not accepted as an entry qualification by many university departments of mathematics, science and engineering (and provides a somewhat insecure foundation for study even where it is accepted).

Too ambitious, abstract and ill – adapted

Maths A level is in urgent need of reform, argues Geoffrey Howson.

Thus, although the total number of students acquiring A level maths appears to be constant, the pool of students qualified to enter university to study for science and technology degrees may be decreasing.

What is to be done? It is often claimed that entry to higher education can be increased by attracting more female and mature students. It is doubtful, however, whether this is true for maths, science and technology.

In recent years the proportion of female graduates (all subjects) has risen steadily to about 40 per cent. Yet in maths the figure has been around 28-29 per cent for a decade. Furthermore, as in many other science and engineering subjects, the rate of "levelling" between males and females in maths would appear to be extremely slow.

Does this suggest vast, untapped reserves of potential (girl) students? If we look at the 1983-84 A level maths results, we see that 55 per cent of girls with an A grade in O level maths went on to study the subject at A level. The corresponding percentage for boys was 67 per cent. At A level girls performed quite well; 65 per cent were awarded A or B or C (69 for boys), and only 7.5 per cent failed to obtain an A level against 10 per cent for boys. With sufficient encouragement and incentive this percentage could be increased, but a rise from 55 to 65 per cent would only mean 1,200 more A level maths students, and 800 with "good" A level grades. Such a movement would also, of course, help the swing to science and technology, but is unlikely to increase the pool of higher education entrants.

It is when we consider those who obtained a B grade at O level, however, that the full problem is revealed. Only 21 per cent of girls with a B in O level maths studied the subject at A level compared with 36 per cent for boys. Of these, only about 1 in 5 girls obtained A, B or C grades and, most significantly, 1 in 3 obtained an O or an F. A similar proportion of boys also left school with nothing further to show for two years' further study of mathematics. Of course, the position for those with a C at O level is even worse; over half got O or F at A level.

It would seem reasonable to assume that those students with B grades who attempt A level are those who are committed to A level maths (and who, possibly failed to meet their and their schools' expectations at O level) or to obtaining a maths A level, and whose teachers believe them to have a reasonable chance of success. They are unlikely to be an unbiased sample of those having B grades at O level.

If more girls (and boys) are to be persuaded to study maths at A level, it would seem essential that those with B and C grades at O level are offered a greater chance of success. If not, there would seem to be no way of significantly increasing the proportion of the age cohort equipped to study for maths, science and technology degrees.

The position relating to mature students is even less encouraging; experience suggests that they avoid subjects requiring a mathematical foundation. Thus, although women constitute half the entrants to the Open University, of those enrolling for the maths options fewer than 30 per cent are women.

The need to reconsider A levels taking into account the computer has recently been argued by, among others, the Joint Mathematical Council. However, even if the computer did not exist it would still be essential to review A level courses.

There are two main reasons for this. One arises from new developments in the 11-16 age range. In those years there will be changes in teaching methods and examining techniques (for example, coursework, investigations) and an emphasis on securing better understanding by limiting the coverage of mathematics. In terms of content, the gap between what has been taught up to 16 and what is now expected at 18 will widen. Moreover, the new approaches pre-16 will make the transition from O level work to A level even more difficult than it is at present. Students will have to adjust their expectations and beliefs concerning the nature of maths, how it is learned and taught, and how much is expected to be understood.

The only solution would seem to be an adjustment in the amount of content to be covered in A level and changes in assessment and

teaching procedures. This will, of course, in turn necessitate changes to university courses to take account of the widening gap between school and university.

The second pressure for change results from shifts in the numbers of students with A level maths following different undergraduate courses. For example, business studies now attract as many students with A level maths as mathematical studies or the physical sciences. The consequences of this are two-fold: first, the type of maths required has broadened (indicated, and met to some extent, by the increased popularity of pure maths with statistics); second, there has been a reduction in the amount of reinforcement which A level maths students have received from work in other subjects. Whereas in the early 1960s almost all maths students also too a quantitative physics A level, now the percentage has dropped considerably and A level physics has become more qualitative.

It would be comforting to believe that our problems could be solved without direct intervention and widespread changes. However, there would seem to be a number of factors which will militate against improvements.

Without doubt, the prime concern is the supply and quality of maths teachers in schools. ACSEB has already issued warnings. It estimated that from 1990 more than 1,000 new maths teachers will be required annually and that this requirement will rise to 1,500 by 1995. It is inconceivable that these requirements will be met.

The new arrangements for GCSE may have one unforeseen effect. It would be hard for a student who obtained Grade B or C on the basis of performance in Papers 2 and 3 of a four-paper scheme to obtain an A level of the current type in less than three years' further study. Evidence suggests that there is a tendency for girls to opt for CSE when they are capable of attempting O level. If girls (or boys) opt for Papers 2 and 3 in the hope of securing a better GCSE grade, they will effectively cut themselves off from a two-year A level course.

AS level maths will probably be a complicating issue. It is unlikely to be accepted as an entry

qualification for maths, physics and engineering courses and it may well attract some students who might otherwise attempt A level.

Finally, the image of maths in school is bad. Many teachers consider A level maths to be harder than other subjects. It is also the case that some university maths courses (in particular, those at Oxbridge) are thought to be very difficult. The backwash on schools and on their attitude to maths must be significant.

Unless major changes are made, therefore, not only to A level courses, but also to those offered at universities, the position will deteriorate further. Allowing poorly-graded students with a shaky understanding of maths to fill places on over-difficult higher education courses will only exacerbate our problems. However, although changes in higher education courses are needed it must not be thought that these, by themselves, will solve the problem.

But reform at A level is extremely difficult to effect. Higher education imposes major constraints and many teachers have no incentive to change their practices. Teachers are in a double bind: A level results are "improved" by restricting entry to A level courses, yet the country needs more students.

Any project established to produce a new course with accompanying materials and assessment procedures would have little chance of success if the option of following traditional ways were allowed to remain. The problems of matching new with old, either within schools or on entry to higher education, would be too great. The inertia of the system would ensure that the new secured a foothold in only a minority of schools.

It is essential, therefore, that any attempt to effect changes should apply to the whole system. Action is necessary from the Department of Education and Science, the Secondary Examinations Council, the School Curriculum Development Committee and from higher education.

The problem of a course which has not moved to meet new demands and new school populations is not one confined to England. The place of maths within the West German *Abitur* has recently been re-assessed and the French *Bac* has been changed to reduce the emphasis placed on, and the hours devoted to, maths in the last years of schooling. Although French "sixth-form" maths has always had a different flavour from the English variety, the criticism *trop ambitieux, abstrait, mal adapté* has validity in the UK also.

It is vital, then, that influential bodies and professional institutes within the UK take similar urgent steps to consider how this problem is to be faced. Otherwise, our progress to becoming the world's best defended museum of industrial archaeology will gather even greater pace.

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Alias Smith and Jones

There's no place like home for giving school disrupters their come-uppance, Keith Melton and Martin Long report.

Where's your tie, Jones?" challenged the head of year as Jones and Smith crossed the yard between lessons. "Smith's not got his on, neither," retorted Jones. "Yes I have sir," came the injured defence from the fourth-former as he reluctantly displayed the proof.

Jones was stunned. Two months ago Smith would not have been seen dead in school uniform. His school file was littered with incidents of disruptive behaviour. There had been regular referral to pastoral staff for abusive language, refusal to work and an escalation of belligerent defiance. There had also been successive suspensions and a natural reluctance for Smith's teacher to have him back in school. "One of the worst cases the school has had to deal with," the headteacher commented.

Disruption of this type, on this scale, is common in many schools. It creates stress on teachers and pupils and threatens the efficient running of the school. Disproportionate amounts of time have to be given over to crisis management, sapping the education offered to the well-behaved majority.

For Smith, and the small group of disruptive adolescents like him, everything tried by the school or by the various outside support staff is unlikely to change his behaviour.

The most likely outcome would have been a special unit, or even a special residential school. Yet, here was Smith in school, finishing work assignments, no foul language, no defiance – and wearing uniform. "Smith has had the best 10 weeks of his school career," said his year head.

This radical transformation is the result of an experiment recently started in King's Lynn, Norfolk. The scheme uses a detailed daily reporting system that is linked to specific home-based consequences.

Senior pastoral staff have joined with the Schools' Psychological Service and support teachers in setting up behavioural contracts with pupils and their parents. The parents are the vital links, agreeing to provide rewards or sanctions at home, according to their child's performance on a daily report.

The system is designed to keep difficult children in school by controlling their behaviour using the powerful influence of home. It is based upon a partnership of collective responsibility with the school.

This new approach contrasts with the traditional off-site centres where teachers try to create positive and consistent relationships with small numbers of pupils. They try to develop good work habits and appropriate social controls in the hope that this treatment will enable pupils to return to mainstream education.

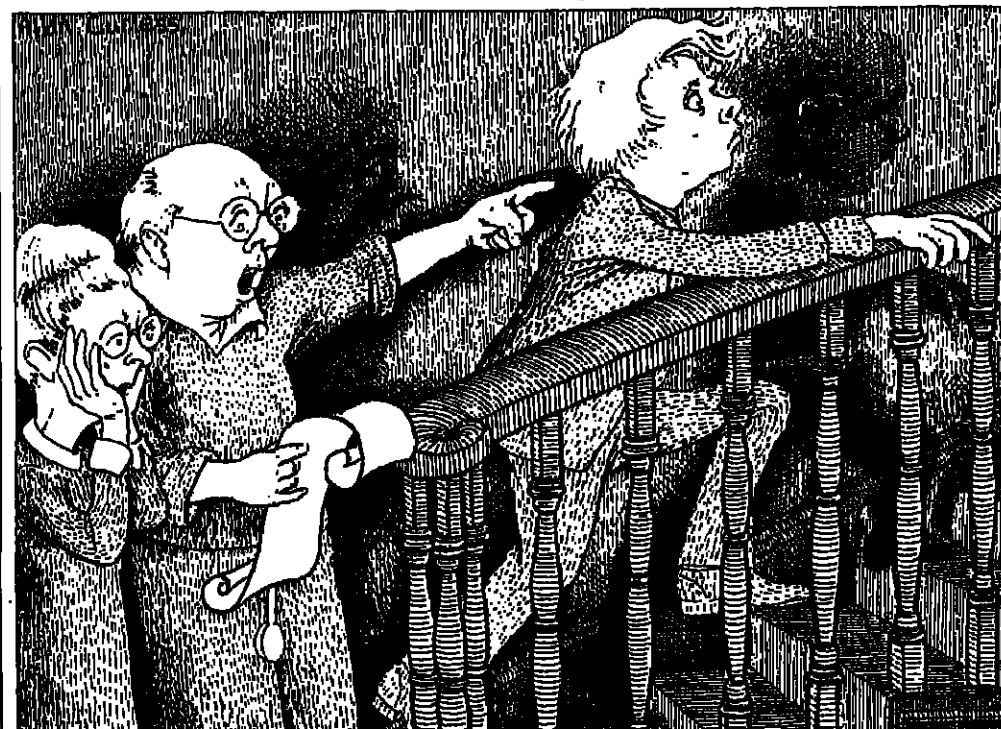
But there is little evidence that these worthwhile objectives are being reached. In a detailed review of studies on the effectiveness of out-of-school units Keith Topping (*Educational Systems for Disruptive Adolescents* published by Croom Helm in 1983) found that the curricula offered in special units are limited; that there are poor or varied learning gains; that subsequent behaviour is generally well below what it would have been had pupils been left alone, and that few pupils return to mainstream school.

These pessimistic conclusions are not surprising given that pupils attending these centres are operating in situations quite divorced from those that gave rise to the problem, and that they have no normal peer models from which to learn more socially acceptable ways of behaving. Increasing doubts about the merits of the considerable investment in such units are beginning to lead some local authorities to exploring alternatives.

From Topping's survey, it is clear that the most effective and economical scheme set out to modify pupil behaviour systematically by involving home/school liaison and itinerant support teachers. This is the approach currently being developed in King's Lynn, one of several ventures in Norfolk aimed at supporting problem adolescents.

There are four main features to the King's Lynn scheme:

1. The interview: Following referral from the school, the educational psychologist and support teacher meet the parents and the head of year/home. The meeting takes place at school with the aim of defining the problem, and suggesting a solution. It is important that the precipitating events be considered in some detail and disagreements between home and school clarified. If conflicts are not sorted out at the start, the support team will simply be trapped in the role of passing complaints back and forth.



After the facts have been established and the parents accept that there is a "problem", they are asked if they wish to help their child. It is rare for a parent to refuse at this stage, so long as the situation is put forward in a non-critical way. Most acknowledge that it is their responsibility to make sure that their child attends school and shows acceptable behaviour.

Parents under pressure, in conflict, will often give false impressions to school, when in fact most value education. If they are prepared to take part in the scheme the report system is explained to them.

2. The contract: Traditional report systems in schools are invariably punitive, do not last long and are based on loosely defined standards of behaviour. The controlled scrutiny of a pupil, with loss of personal freedom in school, means that some reports are effective but it is at the level of nuisance value.

Used in a different way, the report system can become a highly effective means of linking a pupil's performance at school with specific procedures put into operation by parents at home. Some of the most assertive adolescents have developed a self-centred, controlling attitude to their environment and in personal relationships.

Schools, with their limited sanctions, offer little incentive for pupils to modify behaviour. The King's Lynn experiment has instead looked to parents. At home, it is parents who control the child's access to all sorts of highly valued privileges and activities, from pocket money and TV viewing, to being allowed out and freedom of association.

Such highly prized personal freedoms are taken for granted in families where a son or daughter causes daily disruption at school. This is where parents can get their management wrong. If parents enter into a partnership of responsibility with the school, then the powerful incentives on offer at home can be given, or taken away, according to performance in the classroom.

3. The report: The pastoral head, working through subject teachers, checks on performance for each lesson of the day. Each subject teacher gives a grade on a one to five scale and the grades are totalled at the end of the day by the year head, and rewards or sanctions are firmly left with the parents to enforce.

Ambiguities in the reporting system are avoided. Grading is clearly defined and is understood by the pupil, teachers and parents. The support team encourages the parents to agree to a daily points target and the home-based rewards or sanctions are linked to this target. The report sheet – the private property of the pupil – travels home with the pupil for action by parents.

4. Pupil's self-grading: The support team avoids talking to the disruptive child throughout the discussions with parents. Experience has shown that confronted with the consequences of their actions, most disruptive either deny their responsibilities or attempt to control adults through manipulative plays.

In contrast, the King's Lynn system deals with parents. Once the contract is agreed, a member of the support team explains the system to the pupil. There is space for the pupil to record grading of his/her own behaviour, as some recent research

studies have shown that self-recording increases work output and decreases disruption.

Setting up a programme as detailed as this takes time and co-ordination. Ensuring that parents are putting into practice what they agreed to do is the first step. At the start of a programme it might be necessary to speak to parents two or three times during a week. Schools clearly do not have the manpower to resource such a scheme, but as it reduces the numbers of children attending the off-site unit for disruptive pupils, it gives the support teachers time to develop the peripatetic home/school liaison work.

Since the scheme started six months ago, the support service has developed a highly structured, sequential routine ranging from the setting up of the programme with parents and teachers, and regular home and school contacts, through to weaning off daily report, first to weekly, then monthly checks.

During the first term of working the scheme, two support teachers were involved in setting up programmes for 25 pupils from three secondary schools. The results with some of the most extreme cases have been remarkable.

Of the 20 cases so far evaluated, school staff report behavioural improvement in 18; in other words, 90 per cent have remained in mainstream school, continuing their education profitably.

Off-site units have a staff-pupil ratio of around 1:7. In contrast, it is expected that each support teacher will be able to take on a caseload at least three times heavier. It may be possible for one support teacher to co-ordinate programmes for up to 25 pupils.

Reluctant school attenders have also been tackled using modified versions of the reporting system. Programmes have also been running successfully with older primary age children.

Failure, or partial success, has been the result in one or two cases. Industrial action has hampered effective controls at break and lunchtimes, but the clear reason for failure is when there are inconsistencies of management by parents.

The overall level of commitment from parents has been high, even in cases where home/school relationships have been previously poor. In exceptional cases some parents may not develop the coping skills, or may choose not to use them, and the rewards and sanctions agreed at the start are not consistently applied. These cases may lead to long-term home tuition, court action or residential placement. In effect, children in this category are beyond the control of their parents.

Initial feedback from pastoral staff in the three secondary schools involved has been encouraging. The feature appreciated by most staff is the rapid access to the support service and immediate action on new referrals.

More critically, the early resolution of otherwise intractable behaviour problems is promoting positive school attitudes in some of the most difficult children.

"How're you doing, then, Squallier?" asked the teacher.

"Great, sir, look at the scores on my form for yesterday and today."

Keith Melton and Martin Long are educational psychologists in West Norfolk.

Profit and loss

Nick Baker talks to the international money dealer who gave up £150,000 a year to become a nursery teacher.

Last May, Soo Pickett changed the tools of her trade. Until then, they were the telephone and the computer. Now, they are building blocks, counting beads and the sandpaper letters used in Montessori nursery education.

As a successful floating rate note or Eurobond dealer with the Bank of America, it wasn't remarkable if \$100 million crossed her desk in a day. Dealers at her level could earn between £100,000 and £150,000 a year.

Now she is on the one-year nursery teachers' course at the London Montessori Centre and enjoying being a student again, particularly the practical teaching experience. After she has taught for a while she hopes to open a nursery school of her own, investing what's left of her earnings in what she refers to as "the casino" – the Bank of America dealing room. Not that she's assured of having a lot of that money left after a few years' experience in a profession where salaries rarely top £5,000. However, she is optimistic about her future in education and, after six months' study, entirely committed to the Montessori method.

After training as a translator at the French Institute in London, she went into stockbroking as a "translator-secretary-dogbody", and thence into the heady world of investment banking, ending up as one of the few women in the hotspots of the Bank of America dealing room. The job she left last year at the age of 30 (having started at 25) was essentially dealing in international debt, buying and selling to commercial and national banks. She likens the dealing room to a casino because dealers are often in a position of losing money they don't really have.

"You're dealing with chips," she says. "At the end of the day you hope you've got it all back and made a profit." Her table limits were a closely guarded secret between her and her employer. The million dollar deals she made every day were settled by word of mouth over an international telephone line. On the free-wheeling Eurobond market, a dealer's word is her bond.

The dramatic career change came about as the result of numerous factors. Soo Pickett didn't suffer the dramatic "burn out" some city whizz kids undergo after a relatively short dealing career on the money markets. She left with her professional reputation intact.

But the years of arriving at her desk at 7.15 am and scarcely leaving it until 12 hours later (sometimes with the prospect of more telephoning at home during the night) exhausted the necessary supply of adrenalin, and closed off the rest of the world.

The dealing room was a world apart from the average nursery school – a world which keeps a team of British Telecom engineers employed replacing phones that have been smashed down in anger or frustration, a world of ambitious young professionals who eat, sleep and breathe the money markets, flopping into their jacuzzis at the weekend to try to recharge the batteries.

One trap that Soo Pickett carefully avoided was that of accepting a large preferential rate mortgage from her employer – fine when you're an employee but hard to extricate yourself from when you leave – and she never went in for the jacuzzi and Porsche image.

At the point of leaving banking, she had no idea what she wanted to do, other than sleep for a month: "I was a lapsed person when I left."

knew an awful lot about banking, but never had time for anything else. The last time I'd read a good book was when I was at college. I needed something that could give me a radically different perspective on life."

Teaching certainly fitted the bill, but she was wary of investing the time needed to become qualified for state teaching and unsure whether she could cope with a life of what for her would be comparative poverty. On the other hand, she'd hitherto only been able to exercise by squeezing in some fund-raising for the World Wildlife Fund and by "paying an awful lot of tax". When she saw the benefits of a two-year-old acquaintance was getting from Montessori education, and found out that the nursery training was only a year, she decided that was the way forward.

There were some reservations. Soo Pickett dislikes the privilege attached to the private nature of Montessori (in London, a mornings-only term will cost parents about £200) and she would welcome the idea of schools taking on more non-fee payers. She'd also like to see Montessori methods being taken on in mainstream education. But by and large, she's enthusiastic about her new career. However, she does find that at times the pressure of working with lively young children can be almost as great as those dealing with international financiers.

"It's a tiredness I can regenerate from," she says. It's certainly a different tiredness: to the drained feeling after a day in the dealing room, eyes glued to a computer screen, brain buzzing with on the spot calculations and nerves jangling to the tune of breaking phones.



The strain of working with children can be as great as dealing with international financiers, Soo Pickett finds.

Scrutinizing Scruton

Graham Pike and David Selby reply to the right-wing pamphlet attack on world studies.

In his recently published pamphlet, *World Studies: Education or indoctrination?* Roger Scruton makes a series of allegations against world studies and its practitioners. Insofar as it is possible to unpick the threads of serious argument from the knotted mass of rhetoric, he seems to make four principal accusations based on a distorted and truncated description of world studies' contribution to the curriculum.

First, Scruton, in his now familiar polemical style, leads the reader to believe that world studies is almost exclusively concerned with the "Third World". Such a purposefully blinkered interpretation enables him neatly to set up the case for the prosecution. In so doing, he not only distorts the real focus of development education (the development process in all societies) but he also conveniently ignores the many other areas of concern to the world studies teacher.

Those areas include the environment, issues of gender, ethnicity and culture, the dynamics of peace and conflict, and human rights and responsibilities. Furthermore, he crucially overlooks the emphasis in world studies on the exploration of each area at a range of levels, interpersonal to international. The broad nature of world studies is evident from publications, syllabuses and course outlines.

Scruton, however, is mischievously selective: for instance, his conclusion that the primary aim of the Groby Community College course is "the inculcation of Third Worldist and unilateralist opinions" (page 33 of his pamphlet) not only ignores two-thirds of the course content, but also that a range of varied opinions on development and peace issues are actually considered.

Scruton also accuses teachers of limiting the range of possible conclusions that students may reach about Third World inequality to those that fall within the "radical consensus", that is, that our prosperity is purchased at the expense of the Third World and is therefore a form of injustice.

As evidence of this, Scruton identifies some (radical) responses to the Brandt Report which, he argues, are often referred to in the source-materials for world studies. Whilst radical perspectives are certainly considered, one only has to go inside a few world studies classrooms (which Scruton obviously hasn't) to know that a range of other viewpoints are also given serious - and equally critical - consideration.

In common usage are materials from United Nations agencies, information from British government departments, publications from multinational companies and the range of resources published by the Council for Education in World Citizenship (one of the oldest-established and most popular organizations in the field, enjoying all-party support and one which Scruton avoids mentioning in his list of so-called "pressure groups").

At Groby College, articles by Professor P T Bauer, offering a fierce critique of aid programmes, have been regularly used in the classroom, as have the Conservative government's responses to the Brandt Report and worksheets exploring the problematic nature of the concepts of First, Second and Third World.

As Scruton himself acknowledges: "It is undeniable that there is massive inequality between the richer and poorer countries of the world... and that a process of education, that ignores this fact ignores one of the most salient features of the modern world."

Sadly, the curriculum in many schools does ignore this fact just as other areas of importance to world studies are often given precious little attention. World studies teachers regard such areas as centrally relevant and also recognize that their controversial nature demands the highest level of professionalism. In this regard, we welcome the recent draft statement of principles on *The Treatment of Politically Controversial Issues in Schools and Colleges* issued in February by Sir Keith Joseph and contained in the DES circular 32/86.

A second principal accusation concerns classroom methodology. Scruton argues, on the basis of a superficial analysis of two simulation games (which presumably he has neither seen played nor debriefed in the classroom), that such techniques manipulate feelings to the exclusion of rational thought. He also implies that such games inhibit learning which is best achieved through reading and study.

World studies has been to the forefront in the development of interactive, participatory styles of learning, of which simulation games are but one type. Scruton's assertions testify to his ignorance of the body of educational research (for example, the work of Aspy and Roebuck; Tausch and Johnson; and Johnson and Johnson) offering overwhelming evidence that interactive and per-

son-centred learning approaches lead to higher levels of attainment in cognitive and affective domains.

World studies teachers have found that the juxtaposition of such approaches alongside reading and study heighten student motivation to learn and improve attitudes to school. Far from being manipulative, group techniques, such as ranking and problem solving exercises, ensure some transference of power from the teacher to the students. They are thus one of the surest antidotes against teacher indoctrination now being used in the classroom.

Scruton's third principal accusation is that world studies maintains a "judicious silence about injustice and exploitation in the 'Second World'"

right to cite Paulo Freire and Johan Galtung as influential writers, world studies has also drawn inspiration from leading internationalists such as Gilbert Murray, Joseph Lauwerys, Barbara Ward, Robert Macnamara, and U Thant. It has also been influenced by US global educators such as Lee Anderson, Betty Reardon and Robert Hanvey. More recently its thinking has been infused by the insights of writers from the human potential movement such as Fritz Capra, Theodore Roszak and Jean Houston.

Its methodology owes much to a long lineage of humanistic educators including John Dewey, Maria Montessori and Carl Rogers. So much for the traditional morphology of Marxist analysis! Interestingly, some of the most vociferous attacks

Yorkshire which was devoid of a global perspective. In fact she received a good education in national politics at home before she was sent to finishing school in Brussels.

Other devices he employs include the emotive use of the word "activist" to describe leading figures in world studies curriculum development, the personalization of his attack on particular figures, and his characterization of a plethora of individuals - often working independently of each other and with different perspectives - as "Movement" (note the use of the upper case). These are the well-worn strategies of the mis-spirited polemicist who seeks victims rather than truth.

Therein lies the hypocrisy in Scruton's attack. Essentially, his criticism of world studies is that it lacks academic integrity and rigour. Yet the very techniques he employs display an appalling disdain for integrity and rigour. Scruton has a "medium" and "message" problem.

Let us not imagine that Scruton writes as an isolated detached observer, a knight errant in pursuit of an ideologically-free education. In the first place, we should note the pedigree of the institute which publishes - and commends - his pamphlet on world studies. The Institute for European Defence and Strategic Studies, which registered as an educational charity, was founded with money from, among other sources, the ultra-right US Heritage Foundation, from which it still draws support.

In the second place, his world studies pamphlet provides some revealing insights into what good education *la Scruton* would look like. The "traditional curriculum", we are told, has always required the study of other cultures: the language, literature and thought of Greek and Latin, the religious literature of Palestine and Mesopotamia, the stories of Moses and Joseph, the legends of Rudyard Kipling and the legends of Arabia.

This list, which smacks of the elitist education of the 19th-century public school, complements a characterization of Britishness and British culture which is tantamount to an act of exclusion of ethnic minorities. There are many Britons who would be offended by the suggestion that the "tales of Rudyard Kipling and the legends of Arabia" offer a true representation of that culture.

Scruton holds a dangerously simplistic conception of education. He claims that although the pursuit of the aim of education - "the transmission of knowledge, understanding, skill and culture" - may produce "loyalties and attitudes, those loyalties and attitudes are no part of the educational purpose." Is it not a purpose of education to help students develop a personal morality and a civic consciousness?

Traditional education, according to Scruton, has no political programme. This is cloud cuckoo-land. The very choice of what knowledge, understanding, skill and culture to transmit - and the choice of mode of transmission - involves moral and political judgements. They may occur unwittingly, but a moral and political programme by default is nonetheless a programme. Rudyard Kipling's evocation of the "White Man's Burden", for instance, brings with it a whole package of values, perspectives and assumptions.

World studies teaching and curriculum development is now taking place in some 45 I.E.S.s in England and Wales. Many I.E.S.s advisers are themselves closely involved in promoting and monitoring classroom and in-service initiatives. Her Majesty's Inspectorate has also taken an active and constructive interest.

The Groby world studies course has received a full HMI inspection; HMIs have been present at a number of DES Regional Courses in world studies and, recently, the pre and in-service work of the World Studies Teacher Training Course was observed by HMI as part of a visitation to York University Department of Education.

World studies is a new, exciting and controversial area of education which welcomes and demands strength from analysis, evaluation and debate. While we welcome Roger Scruton's contribution, we attach greater importance to the reflections of those who enter the classroom to see the reality of the world, and to the comfort of a chalk and blackboard.

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Year of desolation

PETER KING

"Schools and departments function perfectly well without the extra hours," according to Chris Bowes (Talkback, March 21).

I utterly refute this, especially as I ponder the constraints on activities and relationships, the mound of unconsidered tasks, a direct result of industrial action.

I would take some convincing that I and my A level English group, currently studying Wilfred Owen's poetry, are better off for not having attended a day conference at the Imperial War Museum on poets of the First World War or that a talented O level literature group missed nothing in reading and writing about *The Importance of Being Earnest* by not attending a production of it in Oxford.

Similarly, in no way has it been

possible to take "collective decisions" by consultations during normal school hours. Staff have simply not been available and I see little virtue in impersonal photocopied documents circulating in a large department.

In my office, I have a mound of Open University in-service publications for GCSE and there they will stay until we can meet to discuss them properly. Whatever Sir Keith says, in no way can 10 English specialists take crucial decisions about such radical changes to our examination practices and procedures without proper consultations - and that means face-to-face round a table.

For months I have been carrying around a list of departmental issues that we cannot resolve casually. This year the school embarked on a TVEI scheme, something which has enormous implications for a core subject such as English. Yet we cannot begin to evaluate - how experienced approaches in TVEI or cross-curricular practices might influence our courses.

We are also involved in a South-West Profiling project which had to start in September 1985, forcing me to

write a major part of the scheme just when we were beginning to evolve the scheme as a department. Follow-up monitoring within the department has proved virtually impossible.

An arts festival last year suggested that audio-visual approaches could become a much more positive part of our English work, but with considerable resource implications. Technology is making its impact, with computers and wordprocessors, with the need for individuals to develop an expertise which can be passed on to other staff. Again, this cannot be done during normal school hours with the present staff ratios.

Those of us who have spent most of our time in the bad old days know that "the good new days" have not arrived. Schools are ultimately about relationships, about time spent together, and the most desolate feature of the last year or so is how relationships have been destroyed. In what ways can that possibly be an improvement in the quality of our lives as teachers?

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Good new days?

PHIL SANDERSON

How on earth the elimination of all non-teaching tasks in schools can be seen by any dedicated teacher as "the good new days" (Chris Bowes: Talkback, March 21), I do not know.

Such tasks as staff meetings and parents' evenings are an essential part of a healthy school's life. The problem is that they are not given the recognition they merit in salary negotiations. It is to be hoped that both sides in the coming ACAS talks will have the good sense to agree on a vastly improved salary structure in return for a contractual commitment to such duties.

If it is indeed the norm in Chris Bowes's school for a teacher to "spend more time on non-teaching tasks than on preparing lessons, teaching classes or marking work" then something is certainly radically wrong there.

In my own school, our strict observance of our unions' instructions has led to the complete breakdown of the whole decision-making process. With the exception of our six-man "policy committee", none of the meetings which make for efficient management and collective decision-making have been able to take place. The action has shown just how necessary such meetings are.

Our science department has been completely unable to meet to debate suggestions for new directions being put forward by our head of science. Written information has been circulated and informal consultations have taken place between twos and threes, but the real open exchange of views and ideas has been impossible.

As for the absence of parents' evenings, this action has simply excluded those people with whom we must cooperate actively for the good of our joint concern, the children. Parents of the real "problem pupils" are seen anyway, dispute or no dispute, but the less severe problems of some pupils go by the board.

Finally, there are the extra-curricular activities. Yes, our school is the poorer without them even if they do consume a lot of teacher energy. They must remain a matter for the individual teacher to decide upon. A contract which committed every teacher to participation in some such activity would not lead to those mutually rewarding experiences created by enthusiastic teachers and enthusiastic youngsters.

Yes, lunchtimes spent in the company of fellow adults do give us a chance to "recharge our own batteries" but lunchtimes spent "out of school" is my experience that being those who enter the classroom to see the reality of the world, and to the comfort of a chalk and blackboard.

Some schools may well be full of teachers feeling less worn out at the end of a school day. But Chris Bowes severely overlooks one of the most important factors contributing to their improved state: not the refusal to



participate in non-teaching tasks but the refusal to cover for absent colleagues in most situations.

Actually being able to sit down and quietly prepare lessons or mark books in non-contact time rather than being put in the no-win situation of child-minding an unknown class can make such a difference to the stress level of a teacher's day. Surely here is something that is well worth fighting for in current negotiations, the provision of sufficient permanent specialist supply

staff to put an end to the continuous calls on our non-contact time.

A drift towards not participating in the non-teaching tasks which should be an integral part of our professional commitment is not the way towards the creation of a more energetic and contented teaching force.

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Go forth and multiply

KATHLEEN TRUMPER

A PTA fundraising idea led to the most practical lesson in mathematics our children had ever embarked upon. Goldborough C of E School has only 60 pupils from rising fives to 11 plus, three full-time teachers - including a Head - and one part-timer. The village has a total population of 335 and stands about a mile from Knaresborough, a market town of 13,379.

The idea? To invest £1 in every child to see how they could make it "grow" in a fortnight. Parents first received a letter telling them of the idea, with the option to return the original £1. None withdrew.

The children accepted the challenge with gusto. Some capitalized handsomely on their original investment; some did not. One who invested his money in materials for finger puppets, made 10 to sell at 10p each and sold nine! A practical lesson on labour cost and profit margins. Other children made cakes, Easter eggs, produced potted plants or a miscellany of craft work.

This brought the children face-to-face with their next difficulty: who to sell things to if not each other? The children customarily do not bring money to school. It would have to be carefully organized if they wanted to sell things to each other, or all might turn up on the same day willing to sell but finding no buyers.

They quickly realized this was a limited market. Notice of intent was required, a sample shown or description given, and cost advertised in advance. Faced with this difficulty, six of the children (not all in the same peer group or class) decided to group together and market their wares at the local playground. They asked permission of the playground leader and gave one week's warning before spending a playtime selling their goods - and coming back elated by success.

Two boys decided their talents lay elsewhere and organized a sponsored event. John was to see how many laps he could run around the school playground in three minutes; Mark went around the village helping gain support. Incredibly they raised £20 between them.



The popular local free newspaper is not distributed to some of the more remote communities. One young boy saw his opportunity and collected the newspaper from town to deliver around his village. People were so delighted they tipped him to the tune of about £11. By the time he had made cakes and washed cars, he had a grand total of £14.10. Incidentally, he's just five.

One child bought a jumper for £1 and sold it for £5. Another acquired two super Easter eggs at a discounted price, and ran a raffle. Yet another ran a pop corn and soft drinks stall while a seven-year-old girl ran a hoopla stall with sweets as prizes.

The most ingenious idea came from Alexandra. She invested her £1 in paper, envelopes and stamps, and wrote to various national newspapers explaining the event. The *Daily Mail* published her letter, resulting in two readers sending donations to swell her investment. The editor of another national newspaper gave her a personal contribution of £2.

The enthusiasm and entrepreneurial spirit the idea engendered resulted in a net profit of £210 from a total investment of £60. More importantly, it created a marvellous sense of co-operation amongst the children; while they were eager to succeed, they also realized they needed each other's support.

If what was produced was not good enough they knew it would not sell. If the goods were over-priced the same would happen. The idea proved to be outstanding as a fund-raiser, but even more it proved a realistic exercise in life skills.

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Sacred Wood - or dead wood?

'Everyone, nowadays, is patchily educated': John Weightman on the decline of mythology as a common language

The Mirror of Myth. By Jasper Griffin.
Faber £15.00. 0 571 13805 5.

It is appropriate that the 1984 T S Eliot Memorial Lectures should have been devoted to the place of myth in literature, because Eliot himself was an exceptionally myth-obsessed writer. Although a modernist, who wanted to reflect contemporary sensibility in its neurotic rawness, he called into service traditional myths of all kinds, classical, Christian and miscellaneous. As a man, he seems in the end to have found a measure of comfort within the Christian mythical system; as a poet, he tended to crowd his verse with multiple references, not all of which, perhaps, are really effective, although they certainly serve to illustrate the scrap-book nature of the modern mind. It might be argued that his best poetry is to be found in the later, more personal references. At any rate, there is a problem: how far should the modern writer, in his attempt to grasp the present, draw upon the ready-made mythological formulations evolved in previous eras? That Eliot himself was not unaware of the issue can be seen from the uneasiness of his remarks about learning in the lecture on "The Classics and the Man of Letters".

Mr Griffin, perhaps because he is a classicist, is not uneasy at all. For him, myth is an obvious, glorious and indispensable part of the European heritage, and his purpose is simply to expound its advantages in general, without any particular discussion of Eliot's attitude towards it. However, he has been stung into action by some very un-Eliotic assertions on the part of Philip Larkin, which he quotes at the outset in order to override them.

Modernism, was a believer in traditional verse-forms, which also come from the past. In fact, he is overrating his case against myth with the same crabbed impatience as he displays elsewhere in his partly perverse dismissal of foreign-language learning. But he has a case, and quite a good one. Mr Griffin does not appear to realize this, but moves on, without much ado, to a confident discussion of the ways in which pleasure, pain, heroism, etc are handled in Graeco-Roman mythology. In passing, he makes the doubtful suggestion that the drying up of Larkin's inspiration in later years was due to a mistaken rejection of myth.

Larkin's meaning, I take it, is that mythology was effective when it was the common language of the educated class or, on a broader level, of the Bible-reading sections of all classes. He is not condemning its use by those writers of the past for whom it was a natural means of expression. Many of them, without any awareness of self-contradiction, could exploit both classical and biblical myths alternately or simultaneously. They varied, of course, in their ability to do so; even in the old literature, the use of myth may often be tedious or irrelevant - a sort of automatic pilot the writer fell back on when inspiration flagged. But no one would deny - and surely not Larkin, who after all had a First in English Lit and made his career as a librarian - that traditional literature contains innumerable examples of the effective revitalization of myth, whether or not this revitalization corresponds to what may be thought to have been the "original" meaning of the myths. In any case, correspondence hardly matters, since the "original" meaning can never be more than a subject of conjecture.

In the modern world, where there is no coherent classical or Christian educational background, the writer cannot count on the reader's knowledge of the mythic patterns, and he may often no longer be very familiar with them himself. It is no good complaining that this is a sad state of affairs, which ought to be remedied. We are swept along on an increasingly complicated current of global culture, and it is impossible to carry the whole of the past with us, except as specialized knowledge in certain individual minds. Everyone, nowadays, is patchily educated, to a greater or lesser degree; cultural coherence, instead of being part of the world around us, is only conceivable as an internalized, personal aspiration.

But a more important factor is the almost total secularization of educated opinion, which makes it more difficult for both writers and readers to accept, even provisionally, the transcendental premises of classical and biblical mythology. Mr Griffin, surprisingly, just takes transcendentalism for granted. He comments with enthusiasm on the powerful poetic simplicity of myth, which, for instance, explains the cause of the Trojan War as Paris's elopement with Helen, magnified by the rivalry between the gods, and symbolizes Greek economic expansion by Jason's search for the Golden Fleece, so that "mundane economic activities take on the romantic splendour of a quest for a supernatural treasure". About myths in general Mr Griffin says that "they illustrate and explain something about the order of the world and the relationship of gods and men", and he adds:

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Wearing white for Easter tide... as if cherry-blossom were like some transcendentally virgin Easter-bonnet that Nature had put on in honour of Christ.

It remains true, of course, that the mythic as Larkin calls it, contains a vast wealth of human lore, any part of which the modern writer can use for his own purposes, provided he reintroduces it according to his genuinely contemporary perceptions and restates it in a form assimilable by the present-day reader. An Existentialist might find inspiration in Ecclesiastes or the Book of Job, just as a sceptic like Jean Giraudoux could express himself by playing off Greek and Christian mythology against each other; his play, *Antigone*, uses a Greek story to make a wholly new, and slightly veiled, commentary on the impenetrable mystery of the incarnation. I would agree with Mr Griffin that Larkin was as puritanical in his exclusion of traditional myth, especially when he was prepared to reach for it, as to American jazz, a foreign art-form hardly less remote from England, in geographical and sociological terms, than Greek mythology. Perhaps even the most puritanical of us need some element of exoticism as a counterweight to the realistic here-and-now.

But the kitty is only a rag-bag of miscellaneous insights, that have to be rethought and justified in the modern world. It is not, as Mr Griffin would imply, a coherent store of revealed truths about permanent human nature. Freudians sometimes seem to imagine that the Oedipus legend, which suggested the Oedipus theory, confirms the objective reality of that theory, just as Jung's Steiner recently maintained that the Atlantis story makes a peculiar and definitive statement about brother-sister relationships, but in neither case is any real proof offered. Similarly, Mr Griffin, at the end of his lectures, tries to give a climax in which he speaks about "the greatness of the Aeneid as a moral achievement", because it shows that "the conqueror, too, needs piety and pity" and that "to be a victor and a ruler is as terrible, in some ways, as defeat and subjection". But Virgil was not necessarily a self-convinced Roman propagandist; he was a poet, and he was a poet who tries to give his verse a lift with a mythological reference he cannot believe in, as a false note. A. E. Housman, who was no Christian, found his little

Into unreality

Kenneth Minogue on the origins of contemporary political cant

Liberalism Divided. A Study in British Political Thought 1914-1939. By Michael Freedren.
Clarendon Press, £27.50. 0 19827432 7.

"The age was not conducive to great thoughts, certainly not in the sphere of political theory", remarks Michael Freedren in his history of British liberal thought from 1914 to 1939, and the reader will find himself nodding grimly. It is a tale of decline which casts light upon the deficiencies of 20th century Britain itself.

Liberalism was once a hard-nosed, Whiggish doctrine which left citizens alone to pursue their concerns within a framework of law. Even by the time of John Stuart Mill, however, a strain of elitism and uplift (imported from Germany, some say) had become evident, and with the triumph of idealist thought towards the end of the century, liberals became wedded to the idea of using the state to improve the human race. It was a Liberal Party animated by these ideals which carried through the first stages of what we now call the Welfare State, and Freedren has already covered this stage of its history in *The New Liberalism* (now in paperback, Clarendon Press £9.95).

Liberalism Divided takes the story in loosely chronological fashion up to 1939, and is unmistakably a tale of decline. The Labour Party steadily replaced the divided liberals as the party of social reform, and personal rivalries were compounded by a split between (in Freedren's terminology) the left-liberals (who were drawn towards socialism) and the centrist liberals who feared the State and retained the liberal emphasis upon individuality and free enterprise. As Freedren emphasizes, the boundaries between party doctrines (which he calls ideologies) are extremely fluid, and liberals often found themselves closely aligned with figures like Macmillan and Boothby on the conservative side, and Laski and Tawney among the socialists. These were all intelligent and humane men, but their story has the familiar pattern of loss of power leading to a steady flight into unreality.

Who now reads, one might ask, Hobson, Hobhouse, Muir, Barker, Burns and the rest? Yet there was a time when few undergraduates in politics left a British university without having done an essay on Green's liberalism, or on the basis of the "Will" not force, is the basis of the state". These days were understandably followed by the famous pronouncement that political philosophy was dead. It had in fact been killed by boredom, and Freedren's book names the guilty men.



Ponting's complaint

Whitehall: Tragedy and Farce. By Clive Ponting.
Hamish Hamilton £9.95. 0 241 11835 2.

This book gives us our most authentic glimpse to date of the real Clive Ponting. On trial he split the nation - by turns traitor to Thatcher and hero of the people's right to know. In print he is compelling, cool and devastating - stripping away popular myths of sovereign parliamentary democracy and efficient Cabinet government as he paints in fine detail the Whitehall mandarins' insatiable greed to run the show.

He has his own naiveties, often expecting of Cabinets and select committees rather more than they are able to deliver, and drawing too much from Barbara Castle's jaundiced account of the final Wilson years. But in this crusade, he at least convinces some of his erstwhile critics that he is no blind Labour supporter. He is, if anything, more scathing of Wilson's public despatches than Thatcher's. He explains the prime ministerial system of leaking - a device broadly invented to enable

her to leak before her colleagues can put a different and "wetter" slant on events by their leaks. This all as preliminary to his main assault - on the hypocrisy of a system which manipulates public opinion through "illegal" leaks but uses the Official Secrets Act against civil servants who leak to tell the truth.

Ponting's complaint is understandable. The Government used the Act to put him through a bad time, when he had tried to do the constitutional thing and complain to Parliament. He was even naïve enough to put his faith in the democratic reliability of a Commons Select Committee chairman - Sir Anthony Kershaw - who promptly shopped him. He was saved in the end by an older and more reliable piece of English democracy - a brave and defiant jury of his peers. Ponting spells out the necessary reform in the Official Secrets law which I have always seen as a defence of democracy - he sees it rather more as a goal to efficiency. Either way, it has to come soon.

Equally important is a protection for civil servants against the headlines of this world. Ponting reminds us of the

duties imposed by the US Civil Service Reform Act of 1978 - to reveal "mismanagement, a gross waste of public funds, an abuse of authority, or a substantial and specific danger to public health or safety". If this duty were imposed upon and put into practice by British mandarins, our government would be a wholly different, more democratic - and even more efficient - animal. Another piece of "open government" legislation for a post-Thatcher government to get its teeth into.

Christopher Price

The Thatcher Phenomenon by Hugo Young and Anne Sloman (BBC £3.95) is based on last summer's Radio 4 interviews with 50 people who have been acquainted with Margaret Thatcher. Their comments portray with clarity a Prime Minister who is likely to be best remembered for that simple question, "Is he one of us?" no revelations - she is, so far, as she seems to be.

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Slavophobes

Heart of Europe, a Short History of Poland. By Norman Davies.
Oxford Paperback £7.95. 0 19 285152 7.

During the last 40 years we have been living through an era of emerging nations and declining empires. Yet there is something rather charmingly old-worldly about the look of Europe, the Eastern half in particular. For Norman Davies, Poland is still the "Heart of Europe"; characters with names, like Jaruzelski, Walesa, Rakowski, Michnik, Popieluszko are still the central actors in a world-historical drama that could lead to a nuclear conflagration; the Poles are still striving to be free of the embrace of the Russian Bear. "The Present is never an exact reproduction of the Past; but echoes of the Past always reverberate through the development of the Present" is a theme that reverberates repeatedly through Davies's book.

Indeed, as one listens to the reverberating echoes of the Past, one cannot help fearing not only that the echoes of the Present will be reverberating in the Future but that the Future could well turn out to be an exact reproduction of the Present. After all, as the author argues: "No one expects the Catholics, pro-Western, individualist Poles to turn atheist, Slavophile, or submissive any more than Russia can be expected to be anything but autocratic."

George Szamuely

BOOKS

Political Change and Underdevelopment. By Vicky Randall and Robin Theobald. Macmillan £20.00. 0 333 33964 9. £6.95. 33965 7.

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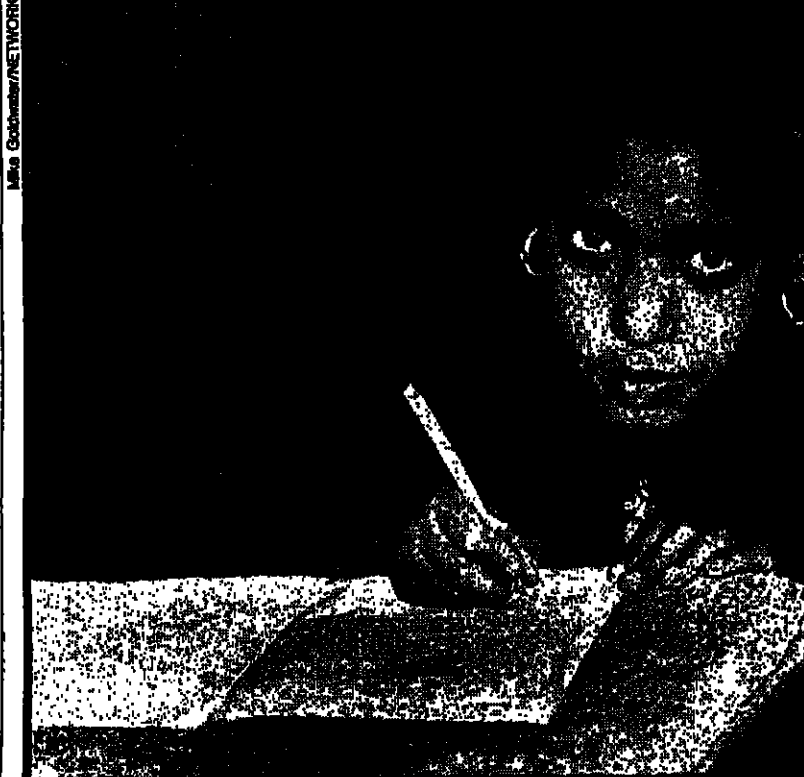
In former years when explorers and travellers scoured the globe there could be no concept of the Third World or its implication that peoples owed more than missionary obligations to each other. Today, like it or not, the demands of producing far from charitable world markets has shattered that innocence. Competing explanations for the wretched and often worshipping plight of poor nations exist to suit every taste: corrupt governments, unskilled labour force, lack of birth control, the precedence given to industrial and urban development rather than agriculture, the brain drain to the West and excessive government controls all complete to answer the question, "Whose fault? Which remedy?"

Tariff and import controls against cheap Third World exports, the control by Western companies of mining, distribution, marketing and information technologies, the response by banks to the international debt crisis (which Western governments urged them to create), the slow down in the world's economy and the lack of capital equipment and therefore suitable jobs in the Third World for its skilled labour conversely suggest that capitalism is operating unfairly and ineffectively.

Sometimes between the two lies the responsibility for political cultures that are, first, too flimsy to support government without corruption; second, to ensure the orderly exercise and transfer of power; and third, to withstand the super and regional powers' habit of exacerbating local conflicts rather than submitting them to international law and arbitration. Hence the paradox that dependency fosters not stability but coups and secessions and the endlessly "defensive" actions which produce profits for the arms industry and refugees for charity.

There is an urgent need for a book that can transcend ideological preference and whose analysis recognizes the many different ways in which countries have failed and succeeded in developing their societies. *Political Change and Underdevelopment* does not do this. Though a valuable summary of the theories that have been dished up over the years to explain Third World politics, the jargon is too dense and the expositions too pedestrian to be useful to those who do not have access to the subject. Equally unilluminating is Patrick Marham's new work, *So Far From God*, which sadly illustrates how far knowledge has progressed since the days when books by explorers and travellers had to be read by archaeologists, geographers, anthropologists and students of politics, art and history.

Marham's book is the story of a journey from Granada to Nicaragua via California. His pre-occupation is the difference between the Anglo-Saxon mind in its Californian incarnation



Studying Tigrinya, the local language of Tigray

Whose fault? Which remedy?

Peter Parker surveys some recent political, economic and sociological books about the Third World

tion and the Spanish one that has developed in Central America. This theme does not suit his gifts. Marham has little taste for the little battle of a culture: its colour, dress, smells, food or the pace of life. True, he is happy to find humanity anywhere; but this happiness is not based on a joy in the diversity of the human pageant. This Catholic has too keen a nose for sin to make a comfortable travelling companion and is too quick with a snipe to be instructive.

Thus Marham on two Central American converts from Catholicism to North American Protestantism: "They murmured psalms to each other. You could see they felt special. They had the Word and the Book now, without priestly mediation"; or of Guatemala: "This country did not just suffer 'bad' government. It was, literally, governed by criminals. The Minister of the Interior stole Mercedes and kept them in his garden"; or a hippy on a bus: "Has there been some trouble in this region?" he asked, after one of the road blocks. It was hard to say whether or not it was a disadvantage to travel across Latin America with so little information."

One laughs; and if you want a competent catalogue of meetings with Western diplomats, international businessmen, local bureaucrats, eccentric Englishmen and assorted locals, Marham's book will keep you diverted and you may not notice that the "insights" he is so keen to purvey on the Church, Central America and the United States - fall both to explain what distinguishes a Guatemalan minister from a US president and to analyse a region whose appalling government is propped up or knocked down by the US and whose economies are locked into ruin. Indeed, one reason why Costa Rica has enjoyed more stable and liberal governments than her neighbours is that the US economic presence there has been less. Conversely, within 10 years of the military coup in Brazil foreign control of the top 30 or so companies had increased by about 20 per cent.

Being uninformed does disadvantage the travel writer no more than the hippy. For the drama in this genre has ceased to be of heroic feats of discovery and physical danger: overcome Now. It is of identity. The traveller's insights and if the area provides the right foil for his imagination his sensibility is lit up. Marham found such a place in his book on Africa. It is unrealistic, perhaps, to expect an equally deep engagement twice since for this purpose travel may not be necessary at all.

As Robert Frost put it:

To frighten myself with my own desert place.

Not that the other books on Latin

America shine. *On Trial*, Reagan's war against Nicaragua, reports some of the proceedings of the Permanent People's Tribunal on US action against Nicaragua. This has included mining harbours, providing military and substantial financial support to opponents of the Nicaraguan regime, freezing World Bank development loans and refusing to negotiate with Nicaragua about regional security.

There are some moving accounts by eye witnesses from Nicaragua which could be effectively adapted to the needs of a drama class. The US, however, refused to participate in the proceedings. A professor of law from Illinois gamely put up an argument he imagined his government might have advanced; but the unsatisfactory consequences is that, first, the evidence is not challenged; second, this unofficial tribunal's judgement is inexplicably not reasoned; and third, the record of the Nicaragua government is nowhere examined. It is, after all, a regime which, if more wholesome than its predecessor, none the less censors the press, smashes up its opponents' political meetings, suspended habeas corpus and drafted in Cuban advisors to organize its intelligence and security services.

Omar Cabezas in his autobiography, *Fire from the Mountain*, is as keen as the People's Tribunal to paint the Nicaraguan government in heroic and saintly colours - almost as if without such qualities the US would have grounds for intervention. What Cabezas, who rose to become a minister in the Nicaraguan government, has produced is an exciting and sentimental tale of how a student activist became a disciplined fighter, acquired through physical hardship the awesome capacity to purge himself of straightforward egoism, lost a wife and gained the comradeship of men under arms. This is a *Boy's Own* story of courage and a sanitized one. For although the Sandinistas did not alone topple the Somoza regime - the catalyst was the assassination of the editor of Nicaragua's foremost newspaper *La Prensa* - one imagines that they did try to kill their opponents. In Cabezas's account it is the government troops who do the shooting. The guerrillas merely retaliate. In spite of this posture one can appreciate in the way that textbooks could never convey how the disciplining experience of Cabezas and his comrades subsequently enabled them to present powerful position in the Nicaraguan government.

Fighters for freedom may be on the side of the people, but not of the people. Cabezas tells how utterly foreign an Indian community felt to him. Marham draws attention to the uneasy symbiosis between Indian and Spanish cultures. Sue Brantford and Oriel Glick's book, *The Last Frontier*

Fighting over land in the Amazon, shows that Amazonian Indians and poor peasants have been equally badly hit by the policies of a military government which decided Amazonian development could only be accomplished by multi-nationals and large landowners with handsome tax concessions and the effective power to dispossess the powerless of the land they had already settled. The human suffering and ecological damage has been ghastly, and the returns on the investment unimpressive. However, their book is unwieldy and the material disorganized. While it brings the story up to date the general reader will do well to look first at *Victims of the Miracle* by Shelton Davis (Cambridge University Press).

Professor Erwin Epstein's study of national consciousness and education in Mexico in Colin Brock and Hugh Lawlor's valuable collection of essays, *Education in Latin America*, takes us further than these impressionistic accounts in the understanding of the Indian European divide. Mexico, he argues, is a culturally plural state which lacks a pluralistic ideology. Consequently, education has been seen as a vehicle for assimilating Indians into a dominant culture and also for producing a coherent sense of culture; but the political system simultaneously prevents Indians from achieving positions of power: most Indians in the state of Chiapas who graduated from school wished to leave their communities but only half were able to do so and, even then, only to the extent of becoming teachers in Indian schools. The others returned home, jobless, alienated and failures.

Schools and the army are the most pervasive national institutions in many Third World countries. There was a time when education was thought to provide the road to development and educating the elite the motorway. But, as Hugh Lawlor points out, the expansion of higher education in Latin America increased social inequality. It was primarily educated children who mobbed the new colleges and universities. Except in Cuba and Allende's Chile, where mass literacy programmes have been launched for their own sake and to increase political consciousness, improving primary level education has not been a priority. Indeed, in Mexico female literacy actually increased from 1960-80; a disturbing trend since literacy is associated with smaller, healthier families.

The right kind of education and specifically the importance of vocational training are burning issues in the Third World as well as in England. Nigel Brooke shows that demand for Brazil for school trained, middle level technicians was less than educationists had envisaged. It is the great merit of M D Leonor's collaborative study, *Unemployment, Schooling and Training in Developing Countries*, that the

absurdity of expecting schools to educate children for jobs is exposed. From four quite different countries, Egypt, Tanzania, Indonesia and the Philippines, the authors have assembled, admittedly not very robust, evidence that the educated are more likely to be unemployed than the uneducated. All these countries responded by increasing the vocational element of the school curriculum, although vocational training based around the school rather than on the job or in short courses is expensive, often outdated and slow to respond to the needs of employers. In Tanzania the projected shortage of skilled labour was based on over ambitious development plans. The feared shortage became a surplus. Worse, Leonor reports, developing economies like Tanzania, were goaded "into copying an occupational or skill pattern whose weight they cannot support. The result is dependency rather than self-reliance."

Some of the best research being done is shifting attention from global concerns to the unexamined assumptions that lie behind commonplace statements such as that African agriculture is backward because it lacks the deep plough and used slash and burn techniques. Both *Indigenous Agricultural Revolution* by Paul Richards and *Agricultural Development and Nutrition* triumphantly succeed in setting old subjects in a new light. Paul Richards, indeed, has written a most intellectually lucid and impressive book whose implications extend beyond agriculture in West Africa.

Paul Richards demonstrates that the ecologies in Africa are not only different from that of Europe but also highly localised; that time and again Western research has initiated not just inappropriate but harmful changes in farming; that those same researches have ended up discovering the wisdom Africans had invented for themselves years previously; that shallow cultivation and the growing of mixed crops together provide higher yields in certain African soils than traditional European techniques of deep ploughing. His is not a book that argues for an end to research; rather that it should cease to be isolated from local conditions and local issues. There is evidence that the disappointing results from World Bank and other rural development programmes were because African farmers, in contrast to the situation in the West, had not been sufficiently involved in planning and implementing changes.

The authors of *Agricultural Development and Nutrition* are also afraid to challenge orthodox beliefs. Malnutrition, they argue, is not a phenomenon easy to measure, nor are its consequences simple to predict. Their report, for example, that among poorly fed road workers in India there was no correlation between the amount of work produced and the quantity of food eaten. The authors argue that infection rather than diet which accounts for stunted growth and the overcrowding is the principal cause of infection. Above all measures of a country's average income or its average level of food consumption are meaningless: the averages fail to show how poor, how numerous and how ethnically, socially or geographically concentrated are the poor, the very poor and the destitute; second, seasonal variations in supply have huge annual figures of food intake. But it is the variations which are medically important. In Bangladesh and North India girls up to the age of four years are given less food and more of that are malnourished than their counterparts in Bangladesh are most vulnerable to malnutrition in the autumn when the price of rice is too high and work in the fields too heavy to support lactation or a healthy pregnancy. The authors state what has become incontrovertible since Sen's seminal book *Poverty and Famines* (Oxford University Press) is not a general shortage of food that causes starvation but of the means of obtaining it. There is here a five-point jobs that are required.

One is, therefore, forced to return to the world economy and how incapable it is to demonstrate how incapable it is to respond to this challenge. Science, responding to this challenge, *Science and Technology in World Development* tells us that in 1974, 93.9 per cent of the world's scientists worked in developed countries; that the US spends 200 times the amount on research than most Asian countries and that research priorities

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Bearing witness

Matthew Reisz on books about the Holocaust

The Holocaust: The Jewish Tragedy. By Martin Gilbert. Collins £17.50. 0 00 216305 5. **Hitler and the Final Solution.** By Gerald Fleming. Oxford University Press £4.95. 0 19 285154 3. **Hitler: A Study in Personality and Politics.** By William Carr. Edward Arnold £8.95. 0 7131 6462 X. **The Fourth Reich: Klaus Barbie and the neo-Fascist connection.** By Magnus Linklater, Isabel Hilton and Neal Ascherson. Coronet £2.95. 0 340 36936 1.

Martin Gilbert's huge book on the Holocaust is a remarkable achievement for at least two reasons: it is an invaluable compilation of material about every aspect of the Final Solution, giving numbers and names wherever possible, and largely relying on the eyewitness accounts of survivors; and it is also a magnificent memorial to the dead. It is written with great eloquence and assumes no background historical knowledge (and indeed provides only the most elementary information about anything not directly related to its main theme). Aiming at any sort of comprehensiveness does, however, have certain disadvantages: the early chapters, where individual deaths still seem insignificant, are powerful, but the centre of the book (which really demands, despite the maps, a good knowledge of the geography of central Europe) sometimes becomes merely numbing and confusing as two or three paragraphs are given to some appalling atrocity before we move across Europe to something else.

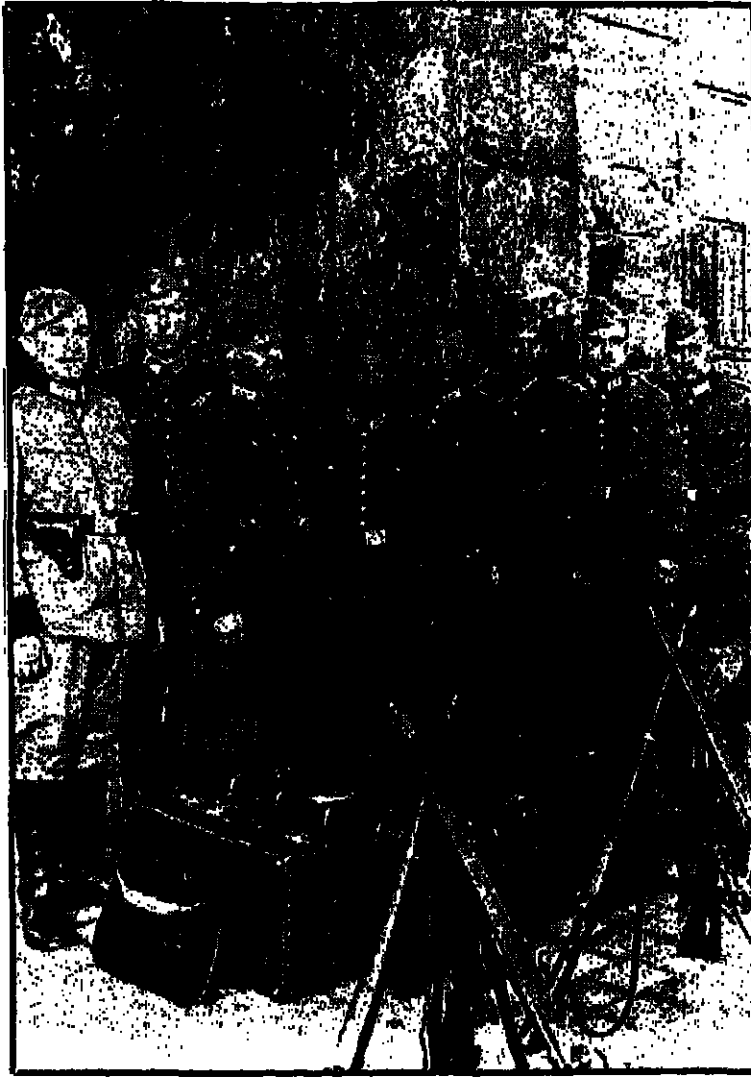
It is the final chapters which are almost unbearably painful, as Jews are subjected to horrendous "death marches" from camps to camps in the smaller and smaller areas still controlled by the Nazis as the Allied armies got closer and closer. Gilbert quotes some wonderful descriptions of the joy of liberation but also plays up the continuing tragedies: the death rate of 60 a day at Belzen even two weeks after the British arrived, often because inmates could no longer cope with the rich food they were given; the young women raped by the liberating Russian soldiers; the first authentic killing in Poland. When the silence broke at Babi Yar burst in 1941, spilling bones all over Kiev and killing 24 citizens, a taxi driver commented: "Jewish blood is taking revenge."

By using the testimony of survivors, Gilbert stresses the humanity of the people still living and refuses (like Claude Lanzmann's film *Shoah* in a very different way) to relegate the events safely to the past. He also pays tribute to the value and courage of "bearing witness". He makes no attempt to answer the many historical, moral and philosophical questions raised by the Holocaust and offers no overarching theories or "brilliant analyses", almost completely avoiding generalisation. Such an approach has its problems, but it was clearly chosen to keep the narrative as close as possible to the suffering of real indi-

viduals (and the occasional acts of heroic resistance and self-sacrifice) and to prevent the events becoming in any way sanitised and neutralised by abstraction and theorising.

Both Fleming and Carr have produced serious and important works which are perhaps rather too much "books about books". Fleming is on one level concerned to refute David Irving's absurd (but, given the state of the documents, technically irrefutable) claim that Hitler did not know about the Final Solution until at least 1943. In attacking this non-target, he provides a good example of the "intentionalist" approach to the Nazi period, which gives a major role to a preconceived plan which was systematically put into practice from the centre by Hitler and his close associates (and plays down, for example, the importance of external events and improvisation or rivalries between different bureaucracies). This often makes for a fascinating process of detective work, extracting from Nazi documents the very things which euphemism has tried most to conceal.

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An Einsatzgruppe murder squad arrives at its place of work, the Eastern Galician town of Drohobycz in autumn 1941 from Martin Gilbert's *The Holocaust*

career, intellectual world and state of physical and mental health. Not only does he reject simple causes and effects, he fails to convey any sense of Hitler as a coherent personality. It is certainly of interest to have collected in a fairly short space a summary of Hitler's views on religion, architecture and music and the more or less wild theories of doctors and psychoanalysts, but a true synthesis which offers a convincing link between "personality" and "politics" seems far away.

The *Fourth Reich* is pretty much what one would expect: a somewhat sensationalist but energetically researched account of Barbie's career in Germany, France and Latin America. The "neo-Fascist connection" turns out to be not really a political movement but a gang of exceptionally unpleasant racketeers with an alarming number of friends in high places. At the end of their gripping but disturbing story, the authors typically imagine Barbie addressing the French court: "You all needed me, dictators and democrats, German, Americans and Bolivians. You all paid me for my services and were grateful for them in your time."

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wings his hands at the failure of rich and poor countries to engage in more than angry dialogue. Perhaps he lacked the temperament? Perhaps he was scared that upsetting the powerful would prompt too many people to scrutinize his war record? Forgive me, like Ezra Pound in old age, he felt he had robbed him of any claim to speak of the rights and wrongs nations do unto nations? But in an age when respect for the process of international law is so slight that the US has withdrawn from the International Court (the issue was Nicaragua) some-one needs to argue the case.

Surprisingly it is the purest representatives of free market capitalism, the banks, that have been doing so. International institutions have their uses which, when it comes to managing the international debt crisis, are valued even by their critics. *Debt and Danger* is quite simply the best account to date of how international banks woke up one day to find that developing nations

owed some \$800 billion. This is not the sort of sum banks can make up by profits from other business either in the short, the middle or the long run; nor can developing countries pay the money back or very often raise interest on it. Repudiating the debt would bring the world tumbling into recession and send the banks into bankruptcy. If ever a new economic order were needed it is now.

Peter Parker

Next week

Tudors and Stuarts: paperback histories for sixth-formers; Edward Blighen on autobiographers in exile, and Peter Vansittart on the First World War

History's stage

Warfare, Diplomacy and Politics: Essays in honour of A J P Taylor. Edited by Chris Wrigley. Hamish Hamilton £15.00. 0 241 11789 5.

Well, of course, we have always known where A J P Taylor has stood on the profound questions of historiography. He is a sort of early proponent of the "Peterhouse" school, isn't he? It is the machinations, blunders, the self-serving, short-sighted, short-term responses of individual politicians that cause historical events. There is Blum, one day aligning himself with the French against the British, and then, next day, doing exactly the opposite; there is Hitler, not knowing which way to turn, confusing his foreign protesters and getting himself confused in the process; there is Churchill raising national morale even as he displayed the most extraordinary military and political incompetence.

But, as Paul Kennedy points out in his essay, "A J P Taylor and 'Profound Forces' in History", in *Warfare, Diplomacy and Politics: Essays in honour of A J P Taylor*, this apparently "Tory" historian has also written in his *The Origins of the Second World War*: "However democratic and pacific Germany might become, she remained by far the greatest power on the continent."

At the moment in 1919, Germany was down-and-out. The immediate problem was German weakness; but given a few years of 'normal' life it would again become the problem of

German strength. If events followed their course... nothing could prevent the Germans from overshadowing Europe, even if they did not plan to do so." In other words, the actors on the historical stage are victims of a destiny they are unable to control. Hitler was bound to pursue the goal of German supremacy; the French would not have been French had they not tried to resist this; the British would not have been British had they not tried to change the provisions of the Versailles Treaty by agreement, compromise and so on; the Russians would not have been Russians had they not contemplated the resurgence of Germany with undisguised terror.

Now, these two approaches to history are perfectly compatible provided one emphasized the one and left aside the other as being too uninteresting a matter to go into. If the historians stress the two equally, however, he is likely to leave his reader puzzled: for example, did Hitler fall, or was he pushed? This *Festschrift* consists of 13 essays including an introductory piece by Michael Foot; "John Bright and William Gladstone" by Keith Robbins; "Inventing Military Traditions" by John Keegan; "Pens versus Swords: A study of studying the Russian Civil War 1917-22" by John Erickson; "The many might become one: the International Communist Policy 1933-47" by E J Hobsbawm; and "British Imperialism and the Partitions of India and Palestine" by Wm Roger Louis.

George Szamuely

Plus ça ...

The Origins of Totalitarian Democracy: Political Theory and Practices During the French Revolution and Beyond. By J L Talmon. Penguin £4.95. 0 14 055205 7.

When first published in 1952, this trail-blazing book was widely and deservedly applauded both for the relativity with which it pursued its primary theme - the gradual transformation of 18th-century political and social ideals into the sort of "democracy" that we find today in 20th-century China, Russia and Eastern Bloc countries - and for the scholarly density of

the illustrative materials it deployed. Time has not been unkind to the late Professor Talmon's pioneering labours: writers with his capacity to make the history of ideas seem as exhilarating as a chronicle of events are still fairly thin on the ground. Many sections of his book will evoke a "Plus ça change" response in the reader, none more so than "the Jacobins sincerely and deeply believed that their terrorist dictatorship... was nothing but a prelude to a harmonious state of society, in which coercion would become unnecessary. The regime of force was merely a provisional phase, and inescapable evil..." So, with every revolutionary generation - fraternal butchery today in the interests of brotherly love tomorrow. Only, like the *Jan in Alice*, that day of promised love never seems to come.

years, Dr Blanning has synthesized copious reading and research into a clear narrative of his own which captures that extraordinary day-to-day unpredictability of development that makes the French Revolution so inexhaustibly absorbing. The way the Revolution's eventual enemies moved from initial apprehension through ever-densifying dismay and alarm to the passionate Francophobia excited by the execution of Louis XVI and his Queen is carefully traced.

These chapters alone make the book excellent value; but Dr Blanning gives extra good measure with an introductory chapter that probes the general causes of war - physical, political, socio-economic, anthropological - with impressive power, concentration and range of allusion.

Martin Fagg

Origins

The Origins of the French Revolution. By T C W Blanning. Longman £6.95. 0 582 49051 0.

This, the third in its publisher's admirable *Origins of Modern Wars* series, lives up to the exacting standards set by its predecessors (James Joll on the First World War, and Ian Nish on the Russo-Japanese War).

In 1914, a 50-year accumulation of tinder ended in a terrifyingly quick ignition in 1792-93, European war erupted as a result of the long, slow burn that began with the storming of the Bastille in 1789. In telling the story of the continental impact of those four

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Scholarly discipline

Adolf Wood on the use and abuse of African history

It is just over two decades since Hugh Trevor-Roper, in his *Rise of Christian Europe*, made his famous dismissal of the claims of African history to be regarded as a serious scholarly discipline.

Undergraduates, seduced, as always, by the changing breath of journalistic fashion, demand that they should be taught the history of black Africa. Perhaps, in the future, there will be some African history to teach. But at present there is none, or very little: there is only the history of the Europeans in Africa. The rest is largely darkness and darkness is not a subject for history.

Trevor-Roper's pronouncement, a characteristic mixture of elegance and asperity, caused an unsurprising furore in the then flourishing world of African historiography, most of whose practitioners could hardly have been expected to find it less discouraging or offensive than the equally notorious view of the German philosopher Hegel, delivered at the beginning of the 19th century, that "Africa is the unhistorical, undeveloped spirit, still involved in the condition of mere nature". If both these dicta are to be judged reprehensible, it might be thought that there is more excuse for Hegel, who lived well before the creation of African Studies. After all, even Marx, as we are reminded by George Watson in his *The Idea of Liberalism* (1985), had a somewhat contemptuous and dismissive view of the world's backward peoples (a view that reappears in the disparaging references made by the early Soviet Marxist theoretician Bukharin to "Bushmen and Hottentots").

The passage from *The Rise of Christian Europe* (a book based on a series of television lectures, whose aim was to assert and celebrate the primacy of Europe in the modern world, at a time when it was "fashionable to speak... as if European history were... valued") still has the power to raise Africanist hackles, though the profession as a whole could be said to be secure in the belief that it has been thoroughly discredited, if it ever really meant anything at all. Hugh Trevor-Roper, one of the most formidable historians of our time, has never needed to be defended from his detractors; but, if we still allow that it is important, it is worth trying to set the offending passage in the context of the argument he puts forward in the opening chapter of his book, "The shape of progress".

It was understandable that Trevor-Roper should wish to limit attention at the study of European history in the minds of, especially, undergraduates demanding "that they should be taught the history of Black Africa" though perhaps he was guilty



A Ugandan boy whose parents were killed three years ago by government soldiers, photographed in front of the skulls of other atrocity victims

of a certain failure of sympathy. It must be remembered that this was a time when hopes for Africa were riding very high, with Nkrumah having seen the new Ghana firmly into the "political kingdom". Nigeria and Uganda, euphoric with their new status as republics, and with much other evidence that this was the golden age of "decolonization". Little wonder that the idealistic, illusion-seeking, young were so "sold" on the subject of African history, and less drawn to the established splendours of European history, especially if studying these entailed the kind of rigour demanded by such as Trevor-Roper.

The author of *The Rise of Christian Europe* is less concerned to ruffle the susceptibilities of Africanists, than to establish what history should be: what history is, rather than what it is not. He believes that it is essentially a form of movement, and purposive movement too. He agrees with the great historians of the 18th century that history, or rather the study of history, has a purpose. We study it "in order to discover how we have come to where we are". He does not deny that "even centuries, not that they had political life and culture, interesting to sociologists and anthropologists" but, with David Hume, he feels it impor-

tant to distinguish between society and history. The positive content of history consisted for the admired Hume not "in the meaningless fermentation of passive or barbarous societies", but in the movement of society, "the process, conscious or unconscious, by which certain societies, at certain times, had risen out of the barbarism once common to all, and, by their efforts and example, by the interchange and diffusion of arts and sciences, gradually drawn or driven other societies along with them to the full light and freedom of the eighteenth century".

Who can deny, looking at the catastrophic and anguished state of Africa today, that what has taken place on the continent in the past 20 years or so is not history in the sense in which Hume, and by association Trevor-Roper, define it? And what does it matter if it is not? Recently in the news we have seen what a past Uganda has come to again, with gun-carrying children in the new ruler's army, some as young as eight. Uganda is perhaps the worst, but not the only African tragedy. The misery and pain and waste (as DJ Burgh's words, from a poem about Vietnam) that have engulfed black Africa and blighted the lives of millions of its ordinary people make such considerations seem pitifully academic. If history has to have

The conformist

Gorbachev. By Zhores Medvedev. Basil Blackwell £15. 0 631 14782 9.

"It has already been abundantly clear that Gorbachev is neither a liberal nor a bold reformer. He prefaces most modifications... to structural reform," concludes Zhores Medvedev in his *Gorbachev*. Not exactly a surprising discovery - nevertheless a useful reminder of just how limited are the options facing the new Soviet leader.

Of course the Soviet system would be so much stronger and healthier if it had a free press, foreign travel, a diverse cultural life, open borders, a learning of foreign radio broadcasts, free and open debate. But would a regime which bases its legitimacy on omniscience, on its having led the 1917 Revolution which has earned it a right to rule eternally, resemble in any way the present hierarchical and closed system that we know so well? Or rather, would not the people who are doing very nicely, thank you, out of the system as it now is, allow Gorbachev or any leader to endanger their comfortable positions?

Given that nowhere in Gorbachev's background of orthodoxy and obedience to Party directives is there any sign of an independent anti-authoritarian turn of mind, it may well be judicious of Medvedev to end his book: "It is possibly a mistake to expect too much from Gorbachev."

George Szamuely

Fragile hope

Worlds Apart: The Development Gap and What It Means. By Peter Donaldson. Penguin £2.95. 0 14 022619 2.

The first edition of this book (published by the BBC in 1971) bore the authority of Peter Donaldson's own ground-level experience in India of the seemingly intractable problems with which it is concerned. The intervening years have seen (despite the dramatic mid-seventies modulation in international economic power engineered by Opec) a depressing intensification of these problems. At their very root is the continuing Third World population explosion, the now-staggering debt burden, and the ever-increasing imbalance between the relative living standards of these and other factors generate.

Peter Donaldson finds encouragement in the "growing feeling among people in the richer nations that something should be done about it" - fragility and forlorn though this hope may seem. This second, revised and updated edition of a desperately relevant book provides a sombre, salutary (and always convincing) insight into contemporary problems of terrifying dimension.

Martin Foss

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Sarah Jane Ryan

Matter over mind

Marx and Marxism. By Cliff Slaughter. Longman £3.75. 058264478X. Marxism. By Thomas Sowell. Allen and Unwin £11.95. 0043201717.

"Here at last," proclaims the jacket of *Marxism*, "is a crisp, lucid and commonsensical introduction... to Marxist theory". Here at last, indeed (though with Writers and Readers Cooperatives best selling *Marxism for Beginners* around, no one was panting all that hard) are two of them, one American (*Marxism*) and one British (*Marx and Marxism*).

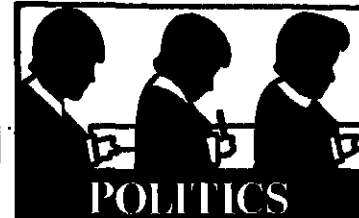
They cover much of the same ground, and are both good on Marx's philosophical heritage. It has become a truism that Marx "stood Hegel on his head", but the idea is confusing. Hegel was an idealist, believing ultimately that reality is mind where Marx was a materialist, believing ultimate reality is matter. Cliff Slaughter clearly explains just what it was Marx took from Hegel; not content but method, not idealism but dialectic. Marx applied the idea of dialectic to the material world to assert that everything is in continual process of becoming, but because human development is conditioned by environment, human beings can only gain control of their lives by co-operating to change society. The materialist legacy is well explained by Thomas Sowell, who traces it from Democritus and Epicurus (on whom

Marx wrote his doctoral dissertation), through the 18th century mechanistic materialists, to the 19th century philosopher Feuerbach, who injected into materialism the humanism which was to appeal to Marx.

These philosophical roots are rightly stressed by both writers as the key to Marxist thinking. Put them all together and you get dialectical materialism, the philosophy which is also a theory of history, and which necessarily has economic and sociological implications too.

Most of the way through, there's little to choose between the two books. Cliff Slaughter's 100 page brevity might suit sixth formers - who are going to have to be fairly determined to cope with either book. Other students may find the greater detail of Thomas Sowell's 200 pages more appropriate, particularly if their interest is in Marx the man, and the nature and extent of his collaboration with Engels. Marx comes over as imprudent, crotchety, boorish and both exploitative and inept in personal relationships. Engels is the dedicated friend, generous with time and money, numbered no less with admitting paternity of a child fathered by Marx on his maid, than with deciphering and editing the last two volumes of *Capital* after Marx's death, and much undervalued as a contributor to the development of Marxist thought.

But Professor Sowell criticizes both Marx and Engels for attacking society



from a position of irresponsibility; at the time of the "communist manifesto" they were two "bright and articulate young men without responsibility even for their own livelihoods - much less for the social consequences of their vision". The introduction of this faintly moral, even querulous tone, marks the beginning of a divergence in Thomas Sowell's book from Cliff Slaughter's, a divergence which becomes pronounced in the sections on the development of Marxism after Marx's death. Where Cliff Slaughter surveys Marxism's subsequent fortune worldwide, Thomas Sowell takes the opportunity to attack it, to pronounce its influence pernicious, and to eulogize the virtues of capitalism, which unlike Marx, he sees not "as only one phase in the development of human society's modes of production" (Slaughter) but as a stage to be defended. If anyone needs convincing that they should spend £3.75 instead of £11.95 this special American pleading should do it.

Jessica Saraga

People power

Politics and You. 0 86021 850 3. The Economy and You. 802 3. By Robin Precey and Alan Reed. CRAC £3.95 or £1.95 each on orders of 10 or more.

Spotlight on Law and Politics. By Bruce Hagan. Pitman £4.95. 0 273 02022 6. Law and Order. By Adam Hopkins and Gary Moschman. 0 356 10320 X. The Use of Drugs. By Brian Ward. 10319 6. Macdonald Debates £5.50 each. Problems! Problems! By Peter Mullen and Martin Pitts. Edward Arnold £1.95. 0 7131 7459 5.

Relating politics to individuals and issues is not always an easy task when there is still a widespread assumption that politics in schools ought to be restricted to older pupils and must be about government. *Politics and You*, while covering the nuts and bolts of the British political system, does attempt to relate structures to the individual and enable the individual to make political decisions. The 11 sections all contain interesting exercises and resource materials emphasizing the decision-making element of politics. It is a sign of the times that in two of the sections students are asked to decide on council budget-cutting options and the fairness of the present rating system.

The Economy and You has the same format and is equally valuable in explaining and providing activities on creating wealth, companies and trade, trade unions, consumer protection and starting up a business. Within the sections are questions on industrial disputes, arguments concerning the YTS and the issue of public ownership and privatization. The books, part of the *Society, The Modern World and*



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You series, are an invaluable addition from CRAC to the teaching of politics for 14 to 17-year-olds on most courses.

Spotlight on Law and Society centres on rights and responsibilities under the law. Again, for use by students on a range of pre-vocational, and current GCE and CSE courses, the book covers everything from the legal aspects of the family and home, school and accommodation, to work, welfare and discrimination. Controversial issues are not ignored such as drug addiction, the age of consent, rape, censorship and prostitution.

Law and Order and The Use of Drugs in Macdonald's Debates series are well presented with photographs on most pages covering 28 issues in

each book. Free speech, trial by jury, policing the police and public order, and alcohol, caffeine, the pharmaceutical industry and heroin addiction are some of the controversies discussed in the respective books. They are well balanced and designed to help young people think in an informed way about difficult political, social and moral issues.

Problems! Problems! focuses on issues that are fiercely political for most adolescents such as arguments over television programmes, bad language and pocket money. A picture-strip format supported by questions successfully explores the difficulties of making decisions.

R E

Systems analysis

Politics in the United States: From Carter to Reagan. A Sandpiper Compact. Sandpiper Publishing £3.00. 0 948666 02 1. Politics in Britain: From Callaghan to Thatcher. A Sandpiper Compact. Sandpiper Publishing £3.00. 0 948666 05 6.

These two booklets, part of the Sandpiper world politics series, aim "to provide an up-to-date bridge between the conventional textbook and constantly changing world events". The series is certainly contemporary, with references to the recent Gorbachev-Reagan summit in Geneva and the Westland and BL controversies in Britain. Both "compacts" have useful tables on members of governments, statistics on voting behaviour and economic indicators, as well as lists on party strength and members of select committees. The varied footnotes are invaluable, and cleverly introduce the reader to new ideas and factors. However, the quality of analysis does vary between both compacts.

They both begin with a brief survey of each country's political systems, the Presidency, Congress and Supreme Court; the Prime Minister and Cabinet; Parliament and Judiciary. There is nothing wrong in this approach, except that it tends to compartmentalize the reader's thinking, without any indication of the

confusion, overlap and conflict between the three branches of government. However, the authors do illustrate their surveys with recent political developments, such as the failure of the Equal Rights Amendment to the US constitution and the creation of Parliamentary Select Committees to reassess the independence of the legislature.

There then follows a chronology of political developments which takes the 1960s "New Frontier" as the US starting point and in Britain "A Nation in Decline" from 1945 to 1964. The US compact is the more incisive of the two on developments within and between the parties, the growth of factionalism, the role of ideology and the future prospects of the parties.

Despite these reservations, many A level students and possibly first-year undergraduates will find this series helpful, either as an up-to-date revision helper or as a short-cut to essential political structures. The authors cannot resist thumbnail sketches of political figures, for example: Gerald Ford, "malleable, loyal and unambitious"; Ronald Reagan, "his (second) marriage to the affluent actress Nancy Davis - a devout and conservative Presbyterian - in 1952 gave an added impulse to this (sic) rightward political re-alignment"; Roy Jenkins, "cultured... Oxford educated son of a Welsh miner - MP"; Cecil Parkinson, a "skilled meritocrat".

Richard Evans

Trouble shooters

Issues: Acid Rain. By John McCormick. 0 86313 370 3. Famine in Africa. By Lloyd Timberlake. 369 X. Franklin Watts £5.25 each.

Written by acknowledged experts, says the blurb, each title in this series claims to be realistic, constructive and looks to a better future. Both books, with full colour illustrations, clear diagrams and bold print, offer a comprehensive overview of the chosen subject. The various forms of acid pollution are explained clearly, and double-page spreads on Acid Trade and Third World Acid broaden the study for the reader. *Famine in Africa* looks at man-made deserts, lost forests, flight from the land, relief camps, mixed blessings and can things change?

These are not books for the lazy teacher. They contain no lists of exercises, ideas for projects, things to do or sources of further information. The penultimate double-page spread in each case contains a rhetorical question, highlighting the crux of the issue.

Geoff Dinkel

All change

The Government of the UK. By Max Beloff and Gillian Peele (Weidenfeld & Nicolson £9.95) analyses the process of institutionalized political change in the UK. This updated edition takes account of political developments

since 1979 to early 1985 and has new chapters on the civil service and pressure groups. The book is firmly rooted in the traditional study of the mechanisms of the formal and informal institutions of British politics. It does not attempt to explore social and economic factors within the tradition of political sociology. This limits the scope and interpretation of recent political change. R E

The spirit of dance

The art of ballet has always been difficult to recreate in book form, and versions tend to fall between two stools, bringing neither the ballet nor the original life to life. *The Sleeping Beauty* (Hodder & Stoughton £5.95), the story of Tchaikovsky's ballet which he based on Perrault, is a typical example. The text by Linda Jennings is adequate but dull, a mere prop for the illustrations by Francesca Crespi.

These are sugary pink-and-blue concoctions in pretentious card style, with roly-poly, doll-like figures collected by borders of webs, lace and flowers. All very pretty, but too rich to suit the fairy tale and too stilted to express the dance.

Polish artist Krystyna Turka fails better in *Coppélia* (Hodder & Stoughton £5.95), again retold by Linda Jennings. The quasi-Eastern-European architecture and peasant costume provided by an attractive setting in



rustic orange and brown, with a nice balance of texture, pattern and space. She has kept the confines of the stage, but her double-page spreads are cluttered with huddled village scenes, her bouffant, curfew lines, cluttered with unusual perspectives, and the spirit of dance to appear

plemented by the illustrations, which are based on real productions. Each is set within the proscenium arch to show the position of both dancers and scenery on stage, painted with sensitivity in rich or sombre watercolour according to the atmosphere required. Aspects of costume, set-design and personality traits are likewise handled with precision, and, although the artist does not achieve the exuberance of Turk's pen, the contrasting moods and styles are well conveyed. The total impression is possibly the closest one can get to transforming the excitement of a real dramatic performance onto the printed page. Further information at the end gives the sources of the ballets, to the full understanding of the plot are included, along with descriptions of the various dances that give each of these 12 classics their character. *Coppélia* has its mazurka and Hungarian *csárdás*, *La Fille mal gardée* the comic clog dance; *Claudia* is full of wild melancholic airs, while "the wild" in *Petrushka* capturing the bustle and salety of the Russian Shrovetide Fair.

Tessa Rose Chester



Florian Legrand as Odette in the 1894 *Sleeping Beauty* by Tchaikovsky. From Swan Lake by Anne Newport, one of four titles in the *Stories of the Ballets* series by Anurup Press (Gollancz, Petrushevsky: *The Nutcracker*, £4.95 each).

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UN diet

The United Nations. By Carol Barker. Macdonald £5.95. 0 356 11399 X.

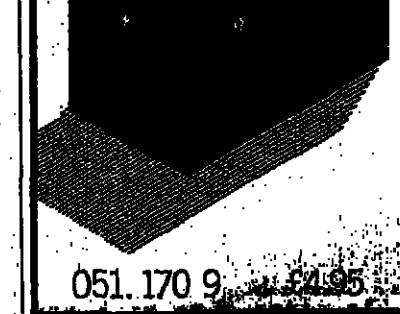
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Wiltshire PRIMARY EDUCATION HEADTEACHER POST

Holy Family R.C. Infant School,
Marlow Ave, SWINDON, SN2 2PS

Re-Advertisement

HEAD TEACHER - GROUP 3

Estimated N.O.R. - January 1987 - 137

Required September 1986.
Applications are invited from committed Catholics for the post of Headteacher. Vacant now, following the retirement of the former Headteacher. The Governors are seeking a candidate with good management skills, wide teaching experience and a good knowledge of current curriculum development. Previous applications will remain under consideration and need not re-apply. Application forms and further details (S.A.E. please) are available from The Chief Education Officer, (Ref. P.K.), Area Education Office, Bedford House, Bedford Street, Swindon, SN2 2DH.

Completed applications must be returned to the Correspondent to the Governor, Holy Family Primary, Marlow Ave, Swindon, SN2 2PT, no later than Tuesday, 22nd April, 1986.

DEPUTY HEADTEACHER POST

Warrimoor, Princetown County Primary School,
Princetown Hill, Warrimoor, SA12 8NT.
Group 4
Deputy Head required from September 1986 for this semi-con-plan school. Application forms and further details (S.A.E. please) from and returnable to the Headteacher by 2nd May.

N.O.R. 155

SCALE 1 POSTS

Pewsey Vale Comprehensive School,
Wilcot Road, Pewsey, SN8 2EW
Group 1
SCALE 1 + Special Schools allowance required for September, 1986 - a suitable qualified and experienced teacher to act as assistant to the Head of the Special Unit, which caters for pupils with moderate learning difficulties and has facilities for up to 30 pupils. The post requires a person with an enthusiasm and commitment to special education. Applications from newly qualified welcome.
Application form and further details (S.A.E. please) from and returnable to the Head Teacher by the 25th April.

N.O.R. 289

Required for September, 1986, Scale 1 + Special Schools Allowance for this new post. An experienced and enthusiastic teacher to be responsible for the development and support of pupils with moderate learning difficulties in the Infant Department. The successful candidate will be expected to liaise with the teacher who has a similar role in the Junior Department. Experience in this type of education is essential and additional qualifications would be an asset although not a requirement.
Application form and further details from and returnable to the Headmaster by the 25th April. (S.A.E. please)

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HEAD TEACHERS

Required September 1986

- Leigh County Infant School (Group 4)
North Street, Leigh-on-Sea
 - Grove County Junior School (Group 5)
Grove Road, Rayleigh
 - Hamstel County Infant School (Group 4)
Hamstel Road, Southend-on-Sea
 - Montgomery County Junior School
(Group 5)
Rushbottom Lane, Thundersley, Benfleet
 - Thundersley County Infant School
(Group 4)
Dark Lane, Thundersley, Benfleet
- Relocation allowances payable in appropriate cases.
Please send foolscap s.a.e. for form and details to:
County Education Officer, P.O. Box 47, Thredneedle House,
Market Road, Chelmsford, Essex CM1 1LD.
Closing date: 30th April, 1986.

(S485)



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ST GILES' C OF E (A) FIRST SCHOOL
Dene Road, Ashted
NOR 117

HEADTEACHER required for September, or as soon as possible thereafter, for this Group 3 Voluntary Aided Church of England First School, for pupils aged 5-8 years.
Salary Scale £11,343 - £12,516.
Application form and further details from South East Area Education Officer, 123 Blackborough Rd, Reigate RH2 7DA.
Closing date: 25th April 1986.

(S486)

PRIMARY HEADSHIPS continued

**CUMBRIA
COUNTY COUNCIL
HEADSHIPS**
Required for September 1986 for Mixed 4-11 school
SEASCALE SCHOOL
Croft Road, Seascale
CA20 1LZ
Group 4 County School,
N.O.R. 163

Further details and application forms from Assistant Director of Education, Union Hill, Scotch Street, Whitehaven CA15 7BG, to whom completed applications should be returned s.a.e.p. (S485B) 110010

**CUMBRIA
COUNTY COUNCIL
SCHOOL**
ST. BEGA C OF E SCHOOL
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Voluntary Aided, Mixed 4-11
Required for September 1986, a Head for this Group TWO School.
Application forms and further details available from and returnable to the Assistant Director of Education, Union Hill, Scotch Street, Whitehaven CA15 7BG by 25th April 1986 (S.A.E. please) (S485B) 110010

**CUMBRIA
COUNTY COUNCIL
BAGINHWAITHE SCHOOL**
Baginhwaithe, Keswick CA12 6JN
County Mixed 4-11, N.O.R. 20
Required for September 1986, a Head for this Group ONE School.
Application forms and further details available from and returnable to the Assistant Director of Education, Union Hill, Scotch Street, Whitehaven CA15 7BG by 25th April 1986 (S.A.E. please) (S485B) 110010

**DEVON
COUNTY COUNCIL**
Please see displayed advertisement on page 48.
(S4857) 110010

**DORSET
ST. IVES C. FIRST SCHOOL**
St. Ives, Cornwall
Required for September 1986, a Head for this Group 4 School.
Details and application forms available from the Assistant Director of Education, 100 High Street, Bournemouth B1 1BB on receipt of s.a.e. (S485B) 110010

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BOROUGH**
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Application forms, returnable by 25 April, and further details from Education Officer, County Hall, Corporation Street, 1XJ (110010 cap see), (S485B)

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**HAMPSHIRE
ALTON COUNTY INFANT
SCHOOL**
Normandy Street, Alton
Required for January 1987, a Head for this Group 2 School.
Further details and application forms available from Area Education Officer, Alton Education House, 25 South Street, Winchester on receipt of a foolscap stamped addressed envelope. Closing date for receipt of completed applications: 30th April 1986. (S487D) 110010

**HAMPSHIRE
FAIRFAX COUNTY
SCHOOL**
Fairfax, Hampshire
Required for September 1986, a Head for this Group 4 School.
Details and application forms available from Area Education Officer, Sun Alliance House, 100 Victoria Road, Southampton SO2 1LW. Closing date for receipt of completed applications: 25th April 1986. (S487E) 110010

**HAMPSHIRE
ST. ANDREW'S C OF E (A) FIRST SCHOOL**
St. Andrew's, Southampton
Required for September 1986, a Head for this Group 4 School.
Details and application forms available from Area Education Officer, Sun Alliance House, 100 Victoria Road, Southampton SO2 1LW. Closing date for receipt of completed applications: 25th April 1986. (S487F) 110010

**HAMPSHIRE
EAST WOODHAY C.E. AIDED
PRIMARY SCHOOL**
East Woodhay, East End,
Newbury RG13 0AF
Required for September 1986, a Head for this Group 4 School.
Details and application forms available from Area Education Officer, Sun Alliance House, 100 Victoria Road, Southampton SO2 1LW. Closing date for receipt of completed applications: 25th April 1986. (S487G) 110010

**HERTFORDSHIRE
COUNTY COUNCIL
DACORUM DIVISION
TWO WATER INFANT SCHOOL**
with NURSERY CLASS
High Ridge Road, Hemel Hempstead
Group 1
Applications are invited for the Headship of this school. Due to the retirement of the present holder, the school's modern buildings occupy a fine site. The appointment will be for a period of 3 years. Forms and further details (from the Divisional Education Officer, The Bury, Queensway, Hemel Hempstead HP1 1UG. S.A.E. please) Closing date: 22nd April, 1986. (S485E) 110010

**HERTFORDSHIRE
ST. ANDREW'S C.E. AIDED
(AIDED) JMI SCHOOL**
Woodlands, Hatfield
N.O.R. 51
Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced Catholic teachers for the Headship of this Group 5 School from September, 1986.
Application form and further details available from the Divisional Education Officer, The Woodlands, Hatfield, Herts. SG9 7AR. Previous applications will be considered. (S485E) 110010

**HERTFORDSHIRE
HOBBS'S MANOR INFANTS
SCHOOL**
Adeyfield Road, Hemel Hempstead
Required for September 1986: a Head for this Group 4 and 5 school sharing a site with Junior School.
Send s.a.e. for further details and forms to the Divisional Education Officer, The Bury, Queensway, Hemel Hempstead, Herts. SG9 7AR. Previous applications will be considered. Closing date: 22nd April, 1986. (S485F) 110010

**HUMBERSIDE
COUNTY COUNCIL
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
East Riding Division
WILTON CARR LANE
JUNIOR SCHOOL**
Wilton, East Riding, Hull
Group 1
Required for September 1986, an experienced Primary teacher with the ability to develop a new school. An ability to accept responsibility for the school would be advantageous.
Application forms and further details are available from the Head of the school (S.A.E. please) to whom completed forms should be returned by 21st April 1986.
Humberside County Council is an Equal Opportunity Employer. (S485G) 110010

**KENT
COUNTY COUNCIL
SOUTH KENT AREA
APPOINTMENT OF
HEADTEACHER
DYMCHURCH COUNTY
PRIMARY SCHOOL**
New Hall Close, Dymchurch, Kent TN30 9NF
Group 4 (estimated roll, September 1986 - 300)
Required for September 1986, an experienced Primary teacher with the ability to develop a new school. An ability to accept responsibility for the school would be advantageous.
Application forms and further details are available from the Head of the school (S.A.E. please) to whom completed forms should be returned by 21st April 1986.
Kent County Council is an Equal Opportunity Employer. (S485H) 110010

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PREPARED NEW SCHOOL
AREA OF BLACKBURN
Eventually - 440 on roll, mixed 4-11
Required 1st September 1986, a Head for this Group 4 School.
For application form and details to whom completed applications should be sent, send S.A.E. (foolscap) to: Chief Education Officer, Preston P1 8JZ.
Closing date: 24th April, 1986. (S485I) 110010

**LINCOLNSHIRE
WOLVERHAMPTON V.C.
SCHOOL**
NOR 31
Required for September 1986, a Head for this Group 4 School.
Further details and application forms available from Area Education Officer, Sun Alliance House, 100 Victoria Road, Southampton SO2 1LW. Closing date for receipt of completed applications: 25th April 1986. (S487I) 110010

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SUNTRAP FIELD STUDY CENTRE
Church Road, High Beech, Loughton, Essex
Required for September

Teacher-in-Charge of Field Study Centre - Group 6

Salary: £13,983 - £15,390
+ Outer London Allowance
A successful primary teacher with experience of senior management and relevant teaching is required to be responsible for the organization of Suntrap Field Study Centre in Epping Forest.

The Centre is used daily by the Primary children of the London Borough of Waltham Forest and is staffed by ten teachers. Ref. P/876.

St. Patrick's R.C. Primary School,
Longfield Avenue, London E17
Required for September

Head Teacher - Group 5

Salary: £13,085 - £14,448
+ Outer London Allowance.
School Roll: 300 (approx.)

The Governors seek applications from suitably qualified and experienced practising Roman Catholics for the Headship of this Group 5 Primary School. Ref. P63/877.
Application forms (and further details) for above two posts available on receipt of 9" x 6" s.a.e. from Chief Education Officer, London Borough of Waltham Forest, Municipal Offices, High Road, Leyton E15 5QJ. Closing date: 25th April 1986.

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HEADSHIP

BARNBURY COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL
Almond Ave, Barnsbury, Woking, GU22 0BB
NOR 230

HEADTEACHER required for September, or as soon as possible thereafter, for this Group 4 school for children aged 8-11 years.
Salary Scale - £12,057 - £13,437 pa

Application form and further details from: North West Area Education Officer, 9 Heathfield Rd, Woking, Surrey GU22 7EU.
Closing date - 25 April 86

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Headteachers

WILLIAM PENN SCHOOL (CONTROLLED)
Brooks Green Road, Coalham, Horsham,
West Sussex RH13 8QN
Required for September 1986, a Headteacher for this Group 2 school. Form and details from Area Education Officer, Backworth House, Black Hill, Lifford, West Sussex RH16 2DU.
Telephone: Lifford (04477) 4321 S.A.E. please.
Closing date: within two weeks of appearance of this advertisement.

**RE-ADVERTISEMENT
ST ROBERT SOUTHWELL R.C. (AIDED)
PRIMARY SCHOOL**
Lamb Farm Road,
Roffey, Horsham, West Sussex RH12 4LP
Required September 1986, a Headteacher for this Group 2 School. Applicants should be practising Catholic teachers. Form and further details from the Education Officer for Mid-Sussex, Backworth House, Black Hill, Lifford, West Sussex RH16 2DU.
Closing date: within 2 weeks from the appearance of this advertisement.

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HEADS

**BROWICK ROAD COUNTY FIRST SCHOOL, WYMONDHAM,
NR NORWICH (Group 4)**
**HUNSTANTON COUNTY FIRST SCHOOL, NR KING'S LYNN
(Group 3)**

Further details and application forms may be obtained by sending a stamped addressed foolscap envelope to the County Education Officer, Education Enquiries, County Hall, Norwich NR1 2DL.

DEPUTY HEAD

KANWORTH COUNTY FIRST SCHOOL, NORWICH (Group 3)
Further details and application forms may be obtained by sending a stamped addressed foolscap envelope to the Area Education Officer, Gladstone House, St. Giles Street, Norwich NR2 1TQ.
Closing date: 25th April 1986.

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HEADTEACHERS

Required September, 1986

Re-advertisements - previous applications will be re-considered.

HUTTON, LONG RIDINGS COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL

(Group 4 + LFA £284 p.a.), Long Ridings
Avenue, Hutton, Brentwood.

HUTTON, ALL SAINTS C of E (CONTROLLED) PRIMARY SCHOOL

(Group 4 + LFA £284 p.a.), Coram Green,
Hutton, Brentwood.

Relocation allowances payable in appropriate cases.
Please send foolscap s.a.e. for form and details to County Education Officer, P.O. Box 47, Thredneedle House, Market Road, Chelmsford CM1 1LD.

SOUTH WEALD, ST. PETER'S C of E (AIDED) PRIMARY SCHOOL

(Group 5 + LFA £284 p.a.) South Weald,
Brentwood.

The Governors of this School invite applications from qualified teachers who are communicant members of the Church of England for the post of Headteacher, vacant from 1st September, 1986.

Relocation allowances payable in appropriate cases.
Please send foolscap s.a.e. for form and details to the Area Education Officer, Mid-Essex Area, P.O. Box 388, 'A' Block, County Hall, Chelmsford CM1 1JW.
Closing date for all above posts - 25th April, 1986.

PRIMARY HEADSHIPS continued

**LIVERPOOL
HEAD TEACHER**
Group 4
£12,057 - £13,437
**ST. MARGARET'S
(AIDED) C OF E INFANTS
SCHOOL**
Lower Broomfield,
Liverpool L6 4BX
Required for September, 1986, or as soon as possible thereafter.
Application forms obtainable from (S.A.E.) the Director of Education, Teaching Staff Section, 14 Sir Thomas Street, Liverpool L3 5JZ. Please quote P.M. 587(a). To be returned to the Director of Education by 21st April, 1986.

HEAD TEACHER
Group 3
£11,343 - £12,516
**ST. SAUVOUR'S C.E. (M)
SCHOOL (PD & SF)**
Crown Street, Liverpool L1 7BA
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**LIVERPOOL R.C. INFANTS
SCHOOL**
Uttling Avenue East,
Liverpool L11 1DD
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**MID GLAMORGAN
COUNTY COUNCIL
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**
ST. MARY'S AND ST. PETER'S C OF E PRIMARY
SCHOOL (MARTIN)
St. Mary's, Cardiff
Required for 1st September 1986.
Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced teachers for the post of Headteacher of this Roman Catholic Primary School (500 pupils, ages 4-11). Candidates must be practising Catholic teachers who hold the Catholic Teachers' Certificate (C.T.C.). The successful candidate will be expected to sign the C.E.C. form of contract.
Application forms to be returned by 30th April, 1986, obtainable on receipt of a stamped addressed envelope from the District Education Officer, District Office, St. David's, Cardiff.
Closing date: 25th April, 1986.
An Equal Opportunity Employer. (S485J) 110010

**NORTH YORKSHIRE
COUNTY COUNCIL**
Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced teachers for the following Headship:
Appointments:
**EAST AYTON COUNTY
PRIMARY SCHOOL**
East Ayton, North Yorkshire
(Group 4)
**COUNTY GREATWOOD
JUNIOR SCHOOL**
(Group 4)
Please send stamped addressed envelope for application form and details to the County Education Officer, County Hall, Northallerton, North Yorkshire, YO26 6JL. Please quote S.A.E. 110010. Closing date: 25th April 1986. (S485K) 110010

**OXFORDSHIRE
COUNTY COUNCIL**
**GRANDPORT NURSERY
SCHOOL**
Oxford
Applications are invited for the Headship of this Group 3 Nursery School, which is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Please send a stamped addressed envelope for application form and details to the County Education Officer, County Hall, Northallerton, North Yorkshire, YO26 6JL. Please quote S.A.E. 110010. Closing date: 25th April 1986. (S485L) 110010

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What is a reading age?

Reading Tests in the Classroom: an introduction. By Denis Vincent. NFER-Nelson £5.95 97 005 0563 6

Denis Vincent has promised himself to be positive; since there are already plenty of critics of reading tests, he intends primarily to discuss "possibilities for better practice". And indeed the book is full of exhortations to good deeds, presented as positively as can be; but pessimism keeps breaking in. From the Introduction, with its muttered threat of an unwritten chapter called "Misuses, Abuses and Mistrusts", to the hard-hitting final chapters, the book is punctuated with very firm warnings about all the things that reading tests and teachers cannot and must not do.

It's hard to know where to begin on a book so full of quotations and good sense: clearly every staffroom must have one, and there should be stiff fines imposed on teachers who refuse to consult it. Reluctant readers should start with the section on Reading Ages, which is particularly powerful. It follows a preliminary skirmish with the core concept of reading ability, attainment and achievement, in which the author underlines the limitations of the

assumption that reading is a measurable "thing". He warns us how often aspects of reading development - attitudes, values, habits - which are also important, but more difficult to test, may become devalued compared to achievement. With a passing swipe at standardized testing, "there are a myriad pitfalls associated with the concept of a 'norm'", and a more than welcome reminder of what "average" means (in a truly "normal" group of children, half will be below average). Denis Vincent moves in for the full frontal attack. The Reading Age, the most common form of scaled score in Britain, is also "the most ambiguous and misleading method of scaling reading test scores". By the end of the chapter, the demolition job is complete. The author bursts into passionate italics more than once at the prospect of reading ages being used as blunt instruments to stun anxious or ambitious parents. But the passion never gets out of hand, and there is a mischievous suggestion for pervasive activity in the staffroom... "the next time you hear a colleague refer to a child's reading age, ask him to explain what a reading age is..."

Perhaps the most important of the book's many strengths is the way, in

which the author urges us to see through the thicket of statistics and rhetoric that surrounds the subject, and into the heart of the matter: the children who are being tested. Over and over again Denis Vincent insists that we must take into account what testing means for children's learning. He reminds us that diagnostic tests are only a first step, a way for teachers to explore problems, not to solve them; and he emphasizes how although many tests are adequate for "making tentative and reversible decisions about how one will teach a child", none of them are "sufficiently authoritative to make decisions which could have far-reaching consequences for children". He argues forcefully that more account should be taken of self-concept in appraising a child's reading problem; and reiterates his belief that data about the development of attitudes, habits and interests could be "just as formative a guide to teaching and curriculum planning as standardized test results".

In fact, it was singularly philanthropic of NFER-Nelson to publish this book at all; if it's taken even half seriously, the bottom might drop out of the reading test market!

Mary Jane Drummond

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books are almost or entirely fundamentally flawed. Many of those on offer simply tell their story without ever asking "How do we know?", whereas one of the main concerns of the history teacher is to encourage children to ask this very thing. All kinds of information is given, particularly about life in very early times, with little apparent recognition of the conjectural nature of much of what we "know". That the job can be done properly is shown in such a book as *Ancient Egypt*, from Hamish Hamilton's Find Out About series, where contemporary relics and pictures support and flow into the illustrator's reconstructions in a way which is convincing and honest.

There are books, of course, which are almost entirely based on the evidence. Batford's *Finding Out About* series is slanted towards modern times and is packed with contemporary material as well as lists of further sources. *Life in Britain in World War I*, which is typical of the series, tells the whole story of the life on the Home Front through contemporary accounts, advertisements, log book entries, autobiographical excerpts and other sources. The children who use these books will not only be learning about evidence but will be developing the kind of interpretative skills which Noble also lists as an essential ingredient in the history curriculum.

Hazel Martell's *The Vikings* in Kingfisher's History as Evidence series also grounds itself firmly on sources. This is a very handsome and authoritative book, considerably in advance of most of the many others which have been produced on this popular subject. The illustrations, too, are excellent - clear and attractive and yet free from the all too common attempt to make life in early times look like a bought-in four part television series.

Macdonald's *In Search of Books - Ancient Crete, Troy, Pompeii and Tutankhamun* are really excellent attempts to show how archaeology unfolded the stories of these places. The text is interesting and easy to read, and the illustrations and diagrams are always helpful. The diagrams of Tutankhamun's tomb, in particular, illuminated at a stroke various aspects of the story of its opening which I had never really understood from the written descriptions. Mind you, just to underline the nature of the problem of evidence, the book tells the story of the tomb's discovery and opening without ever mentioning that there are conflicting accounts of what actually went on at the time. It is one thing to say "How do we know about the Egyptians?" and quite another to say "How do we know about the archaeologists?" A bright child somewhere will, I hope, see the need to ask this question.

Noble says that history should be mainly British history - not for reasons of ethnocentricity, but because it is good educational practice to start from where you are at. He is careful also to include amongst his lists of principles, though, the need to include aspects other than the immediately national. A glance at the available books might seem to show that there is a global awareness - the Vikings, Rome, Crete, Egypt and the kingdoms of Central America are all a long way from home. In fact, though, all of these topics are part of the canon of English history, owing their presence in our cultural awareness to the effect which they have on our own development. It is not often that our schools study the development of peoples entirely remote from ourselves, and the paucity of suitable books reflects this. One result is that we now have, for example, a population of young adults whose understanding of the Soviet

Union's experience of World War 2 is non-existent. Similarly, last year children all over Britain collected money and goods for a country - Ethiopia - whose traditions, culture and development they were told nothing at all. If we do not include in our history curriculum some knowledge of countries as metaphorically near to home as that, then how can we hope to deal with those more distant, some of which are culturally represented in our towns and cities?

Finally I want to mention a book which, quite aside from whether it measures up to the implicit criteria I have developed here, I very much admire. It is *The First Fleet* by Alan Boardman and Roland Harvey, and it tells the story of the first convict voyage to Australia in the late eighteenth century. It has simple, clear text and excellent illustrations and while dealing with one incident of history, it illuminates a whole era of assumptions, customs and practices. It is suitable, too, for the whole junior age range.



Viking boots from *The Vikings* by Hazel Martell

The moral is not hard to figure. The history teacher must decide on a set of practice and a set of principles - and those set out by Paul Noble are as good as any most of us could desire for ourselves. Having done so, the next thing is to find the books to fit it. There are plenty of books, but they need in awful lot of sifting, especially if you hold as strongly as Noble to the value of the importance of evidence.

Gerald Haigh

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Making and doing

Mary Jane Drummond on Science for infants

Longman Scienceworld. Science through Infant Topics. Teachers' Book A. £9.50 0582 18610 3. Starter Book A. £3.5 18619 9

I believe in science in the infant school; you believe in science in the infant school; so does the DES; so do HMI; and so do educational publishers. The official version is like this: science is a Good Thing, but there isn't enough of it in infant schools. What, then, must we do? *Longman Scienceworld* is a brave attempt to answer this question by building on our shared beliefs. But alas, unanimity of purpose doesn't bring with it consensus on questions of method, style and approach. So that while there is much to admire, and a good deal to applaud in the "skills based primary course", "written by practising infant teachers for the non-specialist", there are also a number of questions still to be asked and debated about the authors' chosen content and principles of procedure.

First the good news: the highlights of Teachers' Book A begin on page 97, with a substantial series of "Extensions" that spell out, in impeccably lucid prose, what science is, why we teach it, and the relationship between science, maths and technology. One extension describes an admirable, if highly structured, system of record-keeping; and there is a detailed, but always practical list of essential equipment. This section includes an excellent introduction to electricity, written in terms of torch batteries, drawing pins, and paper clips: excuses will no longer be good enough from teachers who don't offer these activities to four and five-year-olds. Best of all there is a no-nonsense piece on classroom organization, which could do much to stifle the predictable cry of "It's all very well, but what do I do with the

other 30 children?" This end of the book is convincing, credible and clear, and will make many infant teachers feel better about their work.

However, the first 96 pages of the book are another matter. Here the authors set out to describe what actions in the classroom could and should constitute a reception class science programme. The materials have been specifically designed to "give teachers support, particularly those who feel unskilled in the subject." But the authors seem to have fallen into the trap of thinking that unskilled is a synonym for stupid, and that teachers who lack confidence also lack common-sense. Does any teacher really need a list of equipment (a banana, an apple, a lemon, a knife and three plates, to be precise) before embarking on Harvest Activity Four "Fruit Smell"? Activity Five for Christmas is "observing the texture of icing sugar". Teachers are told: "Encourage the children to use the word 'white'. Tell them that it is icing sugar". It seems to me that instructions like these are much more likely to decrease, than to increase, teachers' confidence and commitment. Some of the tasks for the children made me stop and scratch my head - making a model of a screw out of plasticine seems a strange end to pursue in the reception class - and there are many others where the children's so-called choices are reduced to the barest minimum: "let the children choose 5 or 6 green pieces each and arrange these as a collage on their (light-green) sugar paper". (Spring Activity Four "Green").

The 11 topics prescribed are totally predictable, running in a straight line all the way from Harvest and Bonfire Night via Christmas, Spring, the cook and the caretaker, to school holidays. The activities for each topic won't do the children any harm, though if they

are playgroup veterans they may well get a sense of déjà vu - "use cereals and pasta for collage work" - "make a display of white things". But although I would urge teachers to re-invent, embellish and enrich these activities, rather than follow them to the letter, it is resistance to the tone of instruction, not just to the content, that I would want to organize first. Throughout the book the chain of authority is perfectly plain: the authors tell the teachers, and the teachers tell the children. Everyone does as s/he is told. Even in the Making and Doing Activities, which are billed as open-ended problem solving, the problem is tightly specified in the text, and neither teachers nor children are encouraged to deviate. The heavy hand of authority is even occasionally discernible in other sections of the book - there's a stern warning to teachers who are beginning to find their feet: "you may be tempted to skim through the notes: this is not advisable".

In spite of its warts, Teachers' Book A is as much better by than Starter Book A, which is steep £35 worth of *Child Education*-style posters, intended to be used as starting points for discussion. With each picture comes a set of directions for the kind of question and answer session that many teachers are trying to put behind them: "Where will Rosa put her banana skin? (the rubbish bin)".

But let's be positive - one copy of the Teachers' Book would enrich any staffroom library; and furthermore it could relieve harassed science post-holders from the awful chore of penning the school guide lines, a thankless task in itself, which is commonly accompanied by the nagging knowledge that all the guidelines in the world don't guarantee science in the classroom.



One of David McKee's illustrations in *Science through Infant Topics*

Piece by piece

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Construction kits are flooding on to the market at the moment. Lego and its relatives have been joined in the nursery by such a variety of interlocking plastic shapes that it is hard to assess the value of any one system.

Easy, available in six kit sizes from Jumbo to Midl, is based on the wheel. The basic shape is a double "H" in shiny colour, with poles and red wheels with revolving centres into which they fit. With somewhat fewer possibilities than many of these kits, it should nonetheless appeal to the mechanically-minded under-five. Building a

motor cycle is the most attractive idea. E J Arnold have also produced some rather gimmicky jigsaws. Ten Soft Puzzles feature animals and circus subjects. They are said to be made from "Plastazote" - a non-toxic, tear-resistant foam. All I can say is that my testing three-year-old instantly succeeded in tearing the lion apart, while failing to fit the pieces back into claimed shape. The pieces did, as lionised, float without absorbing water, but this did not make them more interesting. They are also unpleasant to handle.

For older infants, a new range of picture jigsaws on rigid card literally covers three categories of subject. The 15 pieces (measuring 25x40mm) can be assembled over the backing card of the complete picture of tractor, cottage or firemen, the categories being transport, housing or occupation. The pictures are quite subtle and the card not all that strong, so they would only be suitable for the older end of the age-group, who might well prefer a more complicated jigsaw. Good large photographs of oil rigs and railway stations, however, can always find a use in a classroom. Victoria Neumark

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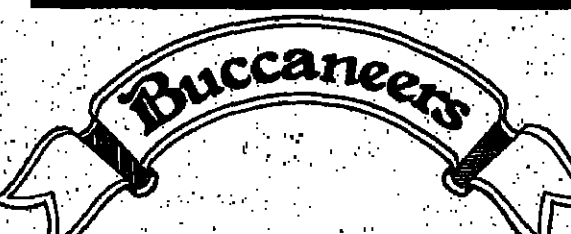
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The Programme is founded on principles contained in Philip Conn's *Remedial Syntax* (ICAA, 1971) and in David Crystal's *The Grammatical Analysis of Language Disability* (Arnold, revised edition, 1982), both of which must be read if the approach is to be understood. Mr Conn's main argument is that a "natural" approach to language development leaves some children with serious disorders floundering and that a method which concentrates on a limited range of syntax is more likely to establish confidence, even if the outcome is in some respects artificial.

Professor Crystal's analysis considers structures in terms of seven stages, ranging from one-element "sentences" (his quotation marks) to highly developed speech, through which children normally progress in the same sequence, although not at the same speed. These stages, however, become progressively more complex and difficult to define, and in practice *Language Through Reading* is able to deal comprehensively only with the earlier ones. Professor Crystal's book, moreover, requires careful handling as



Mrs Simkin and the Very Big Mushroom by Linda Allen is one of the four latest Cartwheels (Hamish Hamilton £2.95 each). These are stories, engaging and varied, designed for children who are just beginning to read by themselves.

it is based on the separation of the structures of language from its meaning, a procedure undertaken because of the limitations of linguistic theory, and which would not normally be acceptable.

On the other hand, Muriel Gillies, Headmistress of the John Horniman School, provides a link between these materials and mainstream research in language development in her suggestion that children with language disorders are failing to interact with the language they hear, and that one of the purposes of the approach is to make such interaction simpler and more explicit.

The central resource at level one consists of cards containing drawings, words and phrases, which are coloured according to the type of word or phrase they contain and its place in the linguistic structure, which is being taught. The cards are stored in wallets, in large plastic ring-binders, and children have smaller wallets for the cards and pictures they are using. As in *Breakthrough to Literacy*, the cards are assembled into sentences on slot-stands, with the colours acting as an aid to the perception of structure. Other stages of the course use simple booklets and comprehension cards, and the school is experimenting with a variety of forms of presentation, in-

cluding wordprocessing. The booklets could have been more attractively designed, but the school insists that they should be judged on the basis of their effectiveness and that the scheme in any event is intended to be used as part of a clearly thought-out programme of language development rather than as a self-contained course.

The manuals, however, do not provide a clear picture either of the content of such a programme or of ways in which the materials might be adapted to meet a variety of special needs. They also offer practically no evidence of the effectiveness of the approach, a shortcoming which recalls Professor Crystal's plea, in *Linguistic Encounters with Language Handicap* (Blackwell, 1984), for much more attention to be given to the construction of reliable transcripts as a basis for detailed linguistic investigation.

Without such evidence, this pack runs a considerable risk of being misinterpreted and misunderstood, particularly when it is offered to a wider audience. A book describing the school's work in detail, with supporting transcripts and case studies, would provide both a solution to this problem and a foundation for further work.

John Bald

English for fun

"OK Mister, we'll try our best," promises Paul when challenged to kill a witch by a little man on the ghost train at a fair.

The plot of the newly-published story, *The Ghost Train*, is in true fairy-tale tradition. However, its authors are two 14-year-olds, Abdullah Rehman and Carlton Bennett. They wrote it for an English project at the Joseph Chamberlain Sixth Form College in Birmingham. It is among 11 stories published by the college's TVBI-funded Project Centre which are designed for primary-age children, particularly those with ethnic backgrounds. Some are completely original, but there are also versions of Cinderella and Goldilocks.

A mixed-ability class of 15 students, mainly Asians and Afro-Caribbeans, wrote them for two local schools. Their teacher, Lena String, devised the project as a way of encouraging them to take more interest in English. She was helped by the city's English Centre, particularly Marion Oughton, an ESL teacher who was working there as a story-teller. Financial support was also provided by the BBC Community Languages Project and Birmingham's Multi-Cultural Inspectorate.

During a double lesson each week, the students began by reading and telling each other stories, often using their mother tongues - Urdu, Punjabi and Gujarati. They also went to the primary schools to listen to story-telling sessions, one of which was recorded on video for discussion. Then they tried out their own stories on the children. This quickly taught them what worked or did not, was too long or too complicated. In particular they

language and avoid the stereotypes commonly found in traditional reading books.

"At first the students were reluctant to take on the project and we had difficulty in persuading them of the validity of the work," says Marion Oughton. "We hoped that meeting the children would give them a sense of purpose, but the real turning point came when we produced a bound prototype of the first story. Then everyone was keen to get into 'mass production'."

Absenteeism dropped, and there was a marked improvement in the students' work in all subjects. Indeed, two of the poorest attenders went on to achieve high marks in their mock 16-plus exams. In fact the project developed much further than was originally envisaged. The students took responsibility for getting the books printed and marketed, sending details to all Birmingham's primary schools. The text is in large type on A4-size paper, with simple full-page illustrations by the students opposite each page.

The local Teachers' Centre has welcomed the stories as a much-needed multi-cultural resource. An A-level student has already translated them into Urdu and the Teachers' Fund of the Curriculum Development Committee has been asked for a grant for translations into other ethnic languages.

Gillian Thomas

The 11 story-books are available from the Project Centre, Joseph Chamberlain College, Balsall Heath Road, Birmingham, B12 9DS. Price: 50p.

EXTRA

Beyond the fringe

Muriel Pears describes
the contribution that drama can make

In times of educational cutbacks, the so-called fringe subjects come under attack. As a primary school teacher, I consider that one of them, drama, has a claim to be at the very centre of children's education. It has easily observed links with all facets of language. It has a less obvious but very valuable role to play in the development of discipline, clear thinking, co-operation, and imagination. It can have happy associations with both music and movement. All this acknowledged, it is as a means of developing insight that I choose to defend it.

Here is the hub of drama in education. If we were to gain nothing else than that children began to seek for some understanding of other people, their problems, joys and reactions to them, then drama's place could be justified.

A group of children, working as outlaws, set out with great enthusiasm to live by their wits and evade the king's soldiers. Spirits began to drop when they realised that they dare not go to the market for food, for fear of capture. A thunderstorm, when no ready shelter was available, increased their discomfort. Later, one wrote, "I did beg for food." Another remembered, "The berries were bitter and I was sick. I was always wet and hungry." They had begun to see for themselves the truth behind the glamour, had found out that people are not always as trouble free as they appear to be. Perhaps a first step had been taken towards looking beyond the presentation to find the truth - a useful defence, in later life, against sensational journalism and persuasive politicians.

Work in drama which helps children to achieve some insight into the lives of characters in well known stories, doubles their delight in those stories and sharpens their understanding of the background to the action.

The Bible story of Joseph is full of situations ripe for exploration. Uneasy family relationships need to be aired and considered. In role, the children might first establish the feeling of belonging to a large family, dependent on the land. Working in groups, each group a family, with one favoured member, Joseph, in its midst, they will discover the feelings of irritation engendered when one brother is more highly thought of than the others, working harder than he does. They will be able to notice their own reactions to the frequent telling of dreams. Whether this bores or interests them, amuses or angers them will be revealed as they respond to the tales Joseph tells. They will, perhaps, gain a little insight into their own levels of tolerance.

When Joseph wears his coat, big issues will be raised about jealousy and fairness. Some children tried to persuade a blundered Jacob - me - to show less favouritism. Regarding the coat, they suggested:-

a) Throw it away. It causes too much trouble.
b) Take it back to the shop, with the receipt, and recover the money.
c) Keep it for yourself. It will keep you warm.
d) Have a rota, with the wearer having that day off work.

It is a lucky teacher who uses the Joseph situations before the children have met the story, for when it comes to the disposal of the dreaming brother, children, working in role, arguing, thinking, suggesting, doubting and considering, will usually find a less drastic solution than the original. That the children follow the story is unnecessary, and may even be inhibiting. What is being sought is that they become immersed in situations which colour the story, and which, with

variations, forever reflect aspects of human contact.

The story of Noah is one which has so much exposure that there is a danger of inattention. Split into two groups, one being Noah's family at work on the ark, the other, those out of favour with God, wondering what this odd family is about, and saying so forcibly and tauntingly, it will be found that Noah's family really needs to question its activity and justify it to mocking neighbours.

Having children, in animal attitudes, moving towards an ark, in twos, does little more for the participants than confirm the twoness of two. If, instead, children are required to work in a cramped and crowded area and made responsible for all the feeding and cleaning jobs associated with animals they will quickly realise the difficulty of the task set Noah. Encouraged to discuss their experiences, many stories of discomfort will emerge. Again, children will have been digging beneath the surface, reaching behind a facade.

The Pied Piper is another story frequently treated at a surface level, but offering rich rewards if, in drama, work in depth is substituted for a gallop along the plot or a smooth coasting through the incidents. If, as townspeople, the children work hard at keeping their houses and gardens neat and tidy, and then have to cope with an invasion of rats, they will find that not only do they feel abhorrence, but also anger at damage done, fatigue at the constant war being waged and frustration that authority, in the shape of the mayor, does not seem to be able to help them. They must be given time to discover all this.

Given time, too, to feel the difference between a town full of children's households. The loss of the children



Joseph's story is a stimulating choice for drama work. This illustration, by Chris Moran, is from Catherine Storr's version published by Franklin Watts.

the more perceptive become aware of the importance of the family, the love of parents and the extent to which caring for children influences the lives of adults.

If work on the Pied Piper were to be confined to a straight portrayal of the story, some very comfortable and happy drama would ensue. The children would enjoy playing out the story. True professionalism, however, requires that more than pleasure should be provided in school. Children come to school to learn and drama is a medium whereby valuable learning may be promoted. The learning acquired may be less measurable than that gained in a more academic setting, but it may provide the foundation a child needs for all round, as against lop sided development.

So far, stories have provided the nucleus of work designed to develop insight, but examples from life are abundant. The rats in the Pied Piper story could just as well have been any pestilence which may occur at any time to disturb the peace of well run households. The loss of the children

could have occurred through accident or natural disaster. Family relationships may be studied particularly well if the teacher assumes the role of an awkward or rebellious member of the group and so poses problems for the rest to solve by trial or discussion. Groups of people today engage in activities as bizarre to their neighbours as Noah's building of the ark was to his.

Through drama, children may be led to encounter more kinds of people in greater varieties of situations than would normally fall within their experience. They can be taught to use these opportunities to look at behaviour and responses, to weigh up why as well as how, to notice their own reactions, and perhaps, on the way, they might develop a judgement about when to stand firm and when to be ready to adapt or modify.

Trying to understand other people, and oneself, cannot be marked, but should ease of assessment be the criterion for judging a subject core or fringe?

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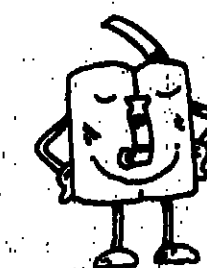
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Being told and finding out

Peggy Heeks on ways of acquiring information

Hard times for school book funds have brought, ironically, good times for information book publishers. When cuts come, it is the fiction that suffers first and the subject books that present the strongest case. When it comes to tapping the PTA, it is easier to raise £300 for reference books than £30 for stories. Consequently, non-fiction has become the expansion area for established publishers and the safest entry point for newcomers. But growth in output does not necessarily mean a better choice for buyers: a financially buoyant market does not necessarily lead to quality products. There is no fixed relationship between commercial viability and educational value—as the

recent perceptions. In particular it includes those courtesies to readers that should be standard: an introductory note on the book's purpose; a text which starts with the child's experience and moves out; a writing style that allows space for speculation. A book list encourages further enquiry. The presentation and reading level are likely to make My First Library popular throughout the junior school. The danger is that Macdonald Education may be tempted yet again to bring in so many titles that any series identity is lost.

There is still a place for traditional information-giving books. Ten years ago the Bullock Report helped us to

the series motto, Einstein's "To imagine is everything". It requires a high degree of motivation and concentration to work through the cartoon pictures, hand-written captions and blocks of text which make up each page. The structure of each book is far from clear and there is no contents page to offer clues. The opportunities offered by the "Let's imagine" title are missed time and again. Water begins "Imagine a world without water", but provides no help in working out the consequences. Colour begins by admitting defeat: "It would be hard to imagine a world without colour". The abstract nature of the text ("The land can no longer sustain plants") is at odds with the jokey illustrations. The credit points are the experiments which are interesting, clearly explained and set in context, and the basic intention of making a user-friendly series.

Dent push the picture-book format further with two books by author-illustrator Ali Mitgutsch, *All About Ships* and *All About Wheels*, which almost add up to an author-illustrator indulgence. Each page is crammed with small pictures, smaller captions and text fitted into the spaces. The approach is highly individualistic, the illustrations have wit and verve and the text picks up interesting historical snippets but is hardly child-orientated in style or vocabulary. We are far removed here from the average topic book, but if there's money to spare, most libraries can profit from some enthusiastic idiosyncrasy.

It is Walker which takes the child-centred approach furthest with the Young Explorer series. Each title is an invitation to undertake a journey of discovery—to the past; through space; over the Earth; into the communications network. We pack the appropriate kit, get into dangers, solve quiz questions, play board games. There's hardly a moment to think, let alone wonder about accuracy, but at the end we have had an experience, and one that nobody is likely to want written up in a topic book.

No one would claim that Young Explorers are books of high quality but they, more than the Bodley Head series, make an attempt to do that rare thing, link information and the imagination. Originally the topic approach was intended to demonstrate a cross-curricular approach to learning and to bring stories and non-fiction into a new, mutually-supportive relationship. That aim has been virtually forgotten today: creative writing and topic work are poles apart, kept in separate compartments like the fact and fiction in our libraries. Strangely, it was the often-maligned Macdonald Education which attempted to bring a more holistic approach to project work in its series Topic Books, which still continues. *Bridges*, published last July, is a typical example, offering a way into the subject via history, craft, stories, poems and applied science. The books are therefore a boon to hard-pressed teachers trying to find starting points for group or individual

work. It is significant that the series never established itself as a success and today is almost forgotten. Perhaps that's because it failed to do well what it attempted, but one is left wondering, in spite of research and expert exhortation, do we still want our information books to stick to that old role of telling the facts?

Peggy Heeks

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PCET Charts are invariably good quality and reasonably priced, and this autumn collection runs true to form. Founders and Messengers is a set of four "middle sized" charts dealing with, respectively, Buddha and the Emperor Asoka, Jesus and Paul, Abraham and Moses, and Guru Nanak and Guru Gobind Singh. Each has been prepared by practising members of the respective faiths. The only problem with them is that they make extensive use of works of art—an admirable idea in itself, but one which loses its effectiveness given the small scale of the reproductions. The "Alma-Tadema's" "The Finding of Moses" is here reproduced in a box 175mm by 130mm. This difficulty is compounded by the fact that charts are commonly wall-mounted and are not

available to be closely pored over. The Hindu Gods charts are half the size of Founders and Messengers, but because each shows a single god or a group of two or three, the impact is greater.

Krishna
Mapping the Street consists of one large chart showing a town street cross-section, enabling below-ground services to be related to houses and activities above. This would be a useful adjunct to many environmental and historical projects which go on in the primary classroom.

The odd reservation apart, though, these charts are excellent classroom material, and the detailed and comprehensive notes which accompany them are admirably written.

Gerald Haigh

EXTRA

Roads to optimism

British Community Primary Schools. Four Case Studies. Edited by John Rennie. The Falmer Press £6.95. 1 85000 092 1. The Making of the Primary School. By Jan Stewart. Open University Press £6.95. 0 335 15115 9. Managing Primary Schools. A Professional Development Approach. By Christopher Day, David Johnston and Patrick Whittaker. Harper & Row £7.50. 0 06 318306 4. Teaching and Learning Primary Science. By Wynne Harlen. Harper & Row £6.95. 0 06 318324 2.

"Dogs and parents not allowed beyond this point." The old notice, however apocryphal, expressed an attitude which the schools in John Rennie's collection of articles have all tried to abandon. His four contributors give a detailed exposition of the philosophy and organization of four schools, in Liverpool, Rochdale, Coventry and Leicester, which have found ways of showing that education and the outside world needn't be antagonistic. They describe a variety of starting points, buildings, management structures and forms of collaboration. Belfield in Rochdale, for instance, has the local library and pensioners' lunch club within its walls, and Broad Heath in Coventry has Asian parents studying during the daytime. The hazards and disappointments, such as racism at a youth club or conflicts about curriculum and accountability when there's a strong parental presence, aren't ignored. The muted hope of the book's conclusion is that a school can still operate as "a powerful symbol of social continuity" or as Harry Ree puts it, mindful of the auditors' mentality of the DES, that a community school can offer its pupils, parents and friends "a Rolls Royce bargain for the price of a second-hand Admi".

"Nothing should be left to the caprices of children" is the Victorian value against which Jan Stewart traces the development of primary schools this century. Hers is a critical and historical account of the design, organization, methods and teaching styles,

resources and controversies which have given our infants and juniors a common educational experience in spite of the surface variety of different institutions. She has worked as a teacher, and it shows in the little remembered details of school life (music lessons in the dinner hall for want of space, Fletcher Maths books and SRA work-cards used as automata pilots) and in her anger at the denigration of schools by ignorant politicians and polemicists. Her own approach is guardedly progressive. She has sensible things to say about the possibility of collaborative learning, especially through computers, and is concerned that a narrow view of assessment could easily turn teaching into a "deterministic self-fulfilling activity". The book is attractively produced, though her editor should have pruned some of the lengthier anecdotes which interleave the main chapters (and have looked up "militarism" which is misused at least four times). But this is a warm-hearted and serious book, highly suitable for students or teachers in their first year.

Day, Johnston and Whittaker also react to a legendary notice: "Head teacher—do not disturb." Their ideal head is everything from expert to devil's advocate, and a central argument is that those responsible for school management should shape their colleagues' work that it contains its own motivation. The book gives a broad summation of collective practical wisdom on the subject although it doesn't always translate clearly from the Educanto dialect. There are too many "supportive evaluation environments" and flowcharts labelled "empirical contingency vs logical contingency". But useful ideas emerge, and the authors argue coherently for processes of consultation and trust, for a continual review of the curriculum and of posts of responsibility, for distinguishing rules of thumb from true self-assessment. They offer models for these activities, with such detailed attention to interpersonal factors and agenda design that a staff meeting might feel like a cross between an encounter group and the Congress of Vienna. No one working in schools,

however, could quarrel with their wish to guide what we do by a balance of theory and practice rather than by intuition and ideology.

The unity of theory and practice is also a central concern of Wynne Harlen's excellent book. She brings acute intelligence and bold speculation to bear on a subject that still occupies only about 5 per cent of an average child's time in primary school. Using transcripts of pupils' own investigations and careful abstract argument, she shows how some popular approaches to primary science have been misdirected by naive views of induction; they have missed the way that children's ideas influence their selection of information and are in turn modified by action.

The backbone of the book is her subtle account of "process skills" (observation, questioning, devising investigations, interpreting, hypothesizing and communicating) and how these can be progress in children's use of them. Closely related to these are attitudes such as curiosity, respect for evidence, critical reflection, flexibility and sensitivity to the living world. She shows how these can be matched both to different levels of conceptual understanding and to a wide range of interests, from light and heat to weather and growing things. The emphasis is always on development (often neglected in topic-based work), on collaboration and on trusting teachers to fine-tune activities to the needs and interests of the children they know. Detailed lesson plans aren't given (though there's a good bibliography) because the book is concerned to show how chances for thinking scientifically can be improved rather than to offer prescriptions. The same applies to criteria for assessment; processes should be valued as well as products, long-term opportunities as well as immediate changes in behaviour. At a time when many teachers feel that "Abandon all hope" is the notice nailed up above their school entrance, reading the alert and honest book could go some way towards renewing their optimism.

Tom Deveson

Personal resources required

English in the Middle Years. By Eric Hadley. Edward Arnold £4.95. 0 7131 0971 8.

The teacher or would-be teacher needs to keep a tight hold on two principles, both of which are equally necessary to the proper exercise of the art and craft of teaching. One is that children are not under-developed adults. The other is that the most important "muscle" in the mind/body system is that which exercises the imagination. The problem with holding to such a philosophy is that it makes it difficult to write down or otherwise codify practical classroom advice. For those teachers—and national leaders—who perceive education in exactly opposite terms, it is all so much easier. All you need to do is keep pouring buckets of facts over the compliant young, hitting them with sticks every time they ask inappropriate questions.

Thus, although it is manifestly, patently, obviously wrong to believe that English can be taught by means of graded exercises, it is still necessary for an author to write, as Eric Hadley does here, "Where expertise is lacking, there is a degrading reliance on commercially produced materials of the 'exercise' variety." For how long will it be necessary to go on saying this? Must we go on forever fighting a war which was conclusively won, wrapped up and finished with 60 years or more ago?

The problem is, as Hadley recognizes, that in order to teach English properly, with imagination and box-filling, we need to expand our notion of "resources" to include the personal resources of teachers and pupils.

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approach is sufficiently original to spark even the most weary classroom teacher. Right at the start I found myself in sympathy with his criticisms of the notion of "keeping busy". So often we equate good progressive classroom practice with resource-gathering, file-making and box-filling. As he says, "... we need to expand our notion of 'resources' to include the personal resources of teachers and pupils."

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As one would expect from ILEA the personnel are properly multi-cultural. "Eating with Badre and Nabil" shows two little Indian boys joining in the family feast; "Mealtime with Lily" shows a young Chinese girl and her mother preparing the meal; in "Changing Baby Hollie" Aidan, a white boy, helps his (non-sexist) father change his baby sister's nappy. In "Bathtime with

"... a little black girl has fun in her bath; Kevin and Lee who play together" shows the able-bodied Lee playing with the physically handicapped Kevin in a sunny and joyful way; "Saiqua and Shan Go Shopping" shows two Muslim Asian children out with their father at the shops. "Roshan gets dressed" illustrates how a young Sikh boy ritually does his hair with his mother's help; "Bedtime with Alkan" has a little Turkish boy getting ready for bed and having a bedtime story read to him by his grandmother; and "Going to the park" shows a family of mixed race off to the swings, the ducks, and the outdoor cafe.

Children whose mother tongue is not English relate very well to the multi-cultural aspects. A flood of Bengali resulted from exposure in a class of 6-7-year-old Bangladeshi; this slowed down to one-word labelling in English but was still readily forthcoming. English speakers were able to enlarge on the pictures and as well as enjoying the guessing game aspects—What is the baby doing? and so on—were eager to expand on their own experiences. "The baby is sitting in one of those things that my baby used to have." Where one child might simply come up with "picnic" another would carefully list "four pieces of cake, three orange juices and two cups of tea." Comments such as "This is a climbing frame but the little one can't go on it" elicited in return "the girl is safe on the climbing frame".

Younger children were also keen to label the events and were attracted by the shininess of the pages. All the faces and urban scenes are so beautifully photographed that the booklets are a joy to use.

Victoria Neumark

Reading talk

Learning to Read. By Margaret Meek. The Bodley Head £5.95 0 370 30722 4.

"Every good reader," says Ms Meek, "learns in his own way, whatever the teacher tells him to do." This observation, which is supported by the most recent research evidence, is typical of her ability to present potentially complex ideas in a simple and convincing manner, a quality which is the key to the success of this book. There is consistent emphasis on the choice of appropriate and interesting books, and on the value of patient individual attention in fostering "the child's gradual approach to what adults actually do". The book's scope extends from infancy to adolescence, and if there are bound to be some reservations—I am, for example, less sure than Ms Meek about "dyslexia"—these are less important than its excellent advice on ways of helping the vast majority of children to read happily and well. As an introduction to reading, for the parent or student teacher, *Learning to Read*, now in paperback, is quite unrivalled.

John Bald

Guide to reading tests

Reading: Tests and Assessment Techniques. By Peter D Pumfrey. Hodder and Stoughton/UKRA. £8.95. 0 340 33632 4.

This new edition of Mr Pumfrey's wide-ranging guide to reading tests and assessment is over twice the size of the original edition of 1976, with 199 brief descriptions of tests and introductory notes which set out the background to this controversial area. If, as he suggests, testing is "no more than the careful sampling of some important aspects of a child's behaviour related to reading", then the growth of his guide shows just how far opinion is divided as to what should be sampled and how. The new word-recognition test from Macmillan returns the debate neatly to square one.

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Songs for all seasons

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Sing Around Scotland is more than just a collection of songs that represent each of the Scottish regions. The songs

such as "Henry Martin" and "Waly Waly", and contemporary folk ballads such as "Skyscraper Wean". The lyrics make historic commentary and incorporate wry humour, particularly those of "The Welly Boot Song". "Jenny's Bawbee" and "Katie Bear-die" are really dance tunes where the words are almost nonsensical and of secondary importance.

One or two of the songs are presented in the original Gaelic. The phonetic pronunciation of the "puirt a beul" - Gaelic mouth music in "Brochlamion" I find much more satisfying than an English translation as in "Talach Chrìosda" which for me always undervalues the beauty of the original combination of melody and lyric, whatever the original language.

One of the problems that we face in our attempt to widen society's cultural horizons is the most effective way to represent and to introduce the words of songs in other languages so that they are accessible to everyone. In *Songs*,

defined and so the transposition to these suggested guitar chords is made even more difficult and confusing. Anyone less than confident musically could only begin to understand how this works if the songs on the accompanying cassette are sung in the keys indicated by the guitar chords. (Not available to the reviewer at the time of writing.) However, the interesting explanatory notes that accompany each song give us a useful insight into some of the Jewish customs and can only help to make a positive contribution to a greater insight and understanding of another, religious and cultural approach to life.

It is always interesting to hear of new and original collections of songs for younger children; but as adults we must be on our guard about what we think children will enjoy. We need to be wary of making false assumptions, unrealistic connections and unreasonable justifications in order to capture the attention of the intended market. We often under-estimate the quality of children's humour. *Twelve Animal Songs*, I feel, fall into some of these traps. The "singable" melodies are musically quite simplistic and naive, though most of the piano accompaniments almost retrieve this situation by being interesting and harmonically gently unpredictable. They are, however, hardly "easy". "Mum and Dad and the non-specialist teacher" will need to be reasonably proficient pianists. The intended humour of the tempo markings - "Swimmingly" for "Penguin" and "Slitheringly" for "Snake" will of course be lost on the children. The claim that "Suggested movement ac-



embrace such a wide, stylistic range both in lyrics and melody that it lays to rest, once and for all, the easily stereotyped Scottish folk song all too often incorporated apologetically in school songbooks.

The songs are grouped geographically - each section introduced by an appropriate photograph and brief helpful explanatory notes are included where necessary. The manuscript setting is on the small side and the piano accompaniments, though not difficult, will demand a little more preparation than a quick glance and a hopeful sight-read.

Many of the original folk melodies are simple yet hauntingly beautiful. Some have a familiar and comfortable ring about them; and musically I find it fascinating to find so many tunes in 3/4 time in one collection. The melodies of all the songs have been incorporated into the piano accompaniments. This helps to make them at least musically more accessible to those who may find the dialect a little difficult to approach. They might serve just as piano pieces. I do, however, question the necessity of presenting all the songs with a piano accompaniment. It seems a shame, when so much effort has gone into preserving and preserving the ethnic nature and identities of many of these beautiful songs, that melodies such as "The border widow's lament" should be musically confused. This needs no other treatment than the unaccompanied voice and would certainly reflect the ethnic flavour more accurately. The collection includes familiar bal-

Rhymes and Tunes Pratibha Chaudhuri attempts in part to address this issue. Her interesting collection of material, particularly suitable for younger children, contains two traditional folk tunes, traditional rhymes to which she has set her own simple westernized tunes and nursery rhymes translated into Bengali and adapted to suit the needs of the children whom she teaches. These tunes are represented in traditional western notation but printed alongside is the Indian notation of "Sa re ga" thus making this material equally accessible to both Western and Asian teachers. In the same way the phonetization of the text means that everyone can sing the songs in Bengali. A rough English translation of the text is provided and a cassette - type is also available. Although linguistically the material has been adapted and presented in a way that makes it accessible to all young children it captures very little of the subtle musical nuances or stylistic ornaments that are integral to Asian musical traditions.

In *Shalom*, however, the 12 simple Jewish songs have been translated from the Hebrew. The simple clearly-presented melodies, all but two in minor keys, have a certain stylistic unity about them. I find the mismatch of the suggested guitar chords with the keys of the written melodies extremely confusing. One or two of the songs "Purim Song 2", "Pilgrim Song" and "Hoshana" - have an interesting melodic feel (unless there are misprints) in which the key sense is not clearly



Musical games, homemade instruments and making up sound pictures help children to assimilate musical concepts and have fun at the same time. These illustrations are taken from *Music Maker* by Robina Beckles Willis (Viking Kestrel £6.95. 0 670 80527 0), a book of musical ideas for parents and teachers of young children.



Solo and ensemble

Playing the Recorder. Produced and narrated by Robert Howes. EMI MFP 41 5661 1, MFP 41 5661 4 (cassette). £2.49

Playing the Recorder is a curious, but none the less pleasant, hybrid record - not an instruction manual, nor an accompaniment to aid practice, nor yet a straightforward recital. In fact, there are elements of all three, presented in such a way as to allow flexibility of use within a satisfying overall concept.

The album is designed to appeal to both adults and children, and the repertoire and arrangements successfully reflect this - a selection of folk and popular songs, television themes, Elizabethan tunes, nursery rhymes and carols, arranged for solo recorder (or dust) with electronic keyboards, guitar and percussion accompaniment.

Much of the material is presented with and without the solo line, so that recorder players can join in if they wish. Most items could be tackled by near-beginners who have learnt to read notation and mastered the first octave and a half of the descant recorder. Music for each of the "play-along" tunes is printed on the album

cover, but it is not grouped in any implied order of difficulty, so players would have to select which numbers they feel they can tackle.

The album also contains a number of "recital" items, including an original piece for four recorders David Cullen. Given the paucity of good original material for recorder ensemble, it ought to be made available in published form.

There are always potential problems with recorded accompaniments, not all of which appear to have been considered here. The arrangements have short introductions, for instance, which are not represented on the noted parts (*Amazing Grace*), as the present difficulties especially, as the arrangement does not give the live player sufficient rhythmic cues). Soloist Elizabeth Page plays her own versions of the folk songs which differ in detail from the printed versions.

Such difficulties might be more imagined than real, however; all the items are short and relatively easy to play. Robert's voice contributes short narrations and introductions which should greatly facilitate using.

Andrew Pegg

Home-made books

Writing to Read Camden Westminster Teachers' Centre

Writing to Read was a most impressive exhibition of books made by children, teachers and parents in primary and secondary schools in ILEA's Division Two, collated and mounted by Ian Forsyth, Warden of the Camden Westminster Teachers' Centre, and his staff. The statement of the exhibition was that children come to read through the written word, and that making books enables children to see themselves as authors and therefore as readers.

There was evidence of ingenious authorship here. From the pumpkin-shaped Halloween book by Princess Hill Infants School, to the Dublin story-pop-up book of Jews and Gypsies. In "A book about trains" had the shape of a toy train engine, and the "Book of tall things" was as tall as the children who had made it. "A ride in Grandma's Dad's bus" had some superb colour photographs, and there were cryptic drawings in "Angry", especially "Katie gets angry when his brother put water in his dinner". The book on the life of a fish had a cover in tie-dye, and "How we made chapatti" had pictures of its authors eating the finished product. My par-

ticular favourites were "My house", designed in the traditional shape, and also the big blue puzzle cover on the book about water.

Books by parents were included to show how they too can contribute to the literacy programme by telling their story. There were examples of bilingual books, and some in Bengali, one of the 13 languages spoken in children's homes in Division Two. Books made by teachers were featured to reinforce the role-model of the teacher as author.

Ian Forsyth, a language specialist, believes that writing is vital for children's literacy. Children should not become passive readers, he says. Encouraging authorship can be a beneficial alternative to the "Reading Scheme syndrome". The realization that written language is talk written down is of crucial importance to the early reader.

The exhibition also provided an excellent opportunity for in-service training and teacher contact. There were some useful hand-outs, including a guide to simple book-binding, and even a machine to bind them together. Many of the books showed evidence of extensive handling, which would indicate that they were favourites on their school bookshelves.

Suzanne Hewitt

SECONDARY ENGLISH

continued

AVON COUNTY

WELLSWAY SCHOOL
Channing Road, Kewstoke, Bristol BS18 1PH
(11-18 mixed Comprehensive. Roll: 1,350-1,400 in 6th Form).
Required for September 1986, a well-qualified and experienced Head of English (Scale 4) to lead a department with an excellent academic record, and to maintain high standards and widen further curriculum provision in this area.

The school lies in a pleasant area midway between Bristol and the sea on the edge of the green belt. Further details from (see page 62) and letters of application to the Headteacher immediately. Please send C.V. and names of two referees.

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CAMBRIDGESHIRE

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY
STURTON SCHOOL
COMMUNITY SCHOOL
Sturton, Cambridgeshire
(Transitional 11-18 Co-educational)
Principal: Mr. D.C. Campbell, B.Sc.
Group 1: 150-160
Group 2: 160-170
Required for September 1986, a well-qualified and experienced Head of English (Scale 4) to lead a department with an excellent academic record, and to maintain high standards and widen further curriculum provision in this area.

This is a T.V.E.I. school with a strong emphasis on developing excellent facilities and pleasant environment. Possible housing assistance. Further details and an application form available from the Principal or the above address (S.A.E. first class). Closing date: 28th April 1986. (03452) 132418

HAMPSHIRE

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH OF ENGLISH COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL
Hyde Park Road, Southsea, Hants. PO5 1AB
Age range 11-16 mixed. Roll: 150-160.
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HAMPSHIRE

KING RICHARD SCHOOL
Allway Avenue, Paulsgrove, Southampton SO4 1LB
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HUMBERSIDE

COUNTY COUNCIL
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
GREATFIELD HIGH SCHOOL
Rosedale Avenue, Hull HU8 8JL
Required for September 1986, a well-qualified and experienced Head of English (Scale 4) to lead a department with an excellent academic record, and to maintain high standards and widen further curriculum provision in this area.

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KENT

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NORTH KENT DEPARTMENT
PITTS GRAMMAR SCHOOL
Pitts Road, Chatham, Kent ME4 6JL
Required for September 1986, a well-qualified and experienced Head of English (Scale 4) to lead a department with an excellent academic record, and to maintain high standards and widen further curriculum provision in this area.

Further details and application forms available from the Headteacher or the above address (S.A.E. first class). Closing date: 28th April 1986. (08590) 132418

NORFOLK

KING EDWARD VII HIGH SCHOOL
Gaywood Road, King's Lynn PE30 2DN
(Group 12) Roll: 1,350-1,400
Required for September 1986, a well-qualified and experienced Head of English (Scale 4) to lead a department with an excellent academic record, and to maintain high standards and widen further curriculum provision in this area.

Further details and application forms available from the Headteacher or the above address (S.A.E. first class). Closing date: 28th April 1986. (08445) 132418

NORTH YORKSHIRE

COUNTY COUNCIL
BURNHOLME SCHOOL
Burnholme Road, York YO3 0LY
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OXFORDSHIRE

COUNTY COUNCIL
BANBURY SCHOOL
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SUFFOLK

COUNTY COUNCIL September, 1986. A **HEAD OF MUSIC** (Scale 4) to be responsible for all musical activities in 18 in Howard Middle School and County Youth School, Bury St. Edmunds. The two schools are less than a mile apart and the Governors of the two schools are looking for an exceptional teacher of music and extra-curricular musical activities, who will be a team player. In that is a unique and exciting development. Applications and applications forms are available from the Headmaster, County Youth School, Bury St. Edmunds IP28 3RF, Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk. (09853) April, 25th 1986

SCHOOL
Nacton Road, Ipswich IP3
11-16 mixed comprehensive
roll 990
Required September 1986 an
enthusiastic and energetic
HEAD OF MUSIC Scale 2 to
join the Expressive Arts
Team. Music is part of the
core curriculum in Years 1-3
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integrated course in years 4-
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Application forms and de-
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NORTHGATE HIGH SCHOOL
Sledgegate Lane, Ipswich IP4
3 11-18 mixed comprehensive
roll 1500
Required September 1986 a
lively and enthusiastic **HEAD**
OF MUSIC Scale 3 to maintain
and further develop a depart-
ment with an outstanding
tradition and well established
courses, and maintaining
choirs, orchestras and ensem-
bles. There is close co-
operation with other schools

From September this will be the new music centre for South Suffolk.

Application forms and further information are available from the Head of the school, s.s.e. please closing date for application 32nd April. 1338184

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EDUCATION COMMITTEE

WALSLEY SCHOOL

1830 pupils, 1000 primary
RC Mixed Comprehensive 18-
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Head of Music Scales 3. Express
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to develop the subject which is
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DORSET
ST. ALDHELM'S SCHOOL
Sherborne DT9 5EQ
(Roll 600, 13-14 Co-
educational)
Required for September 1988
in this rural secondary modern
school. Acting Head of Music
(Scale 2) for one year only
while the present holder is on
sabbatical.
Application forms may be
obtained from the Headmaster
on receipt of S.A.S. (Colours
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SECONDARY OTHER THAN BY SUBJECT continued

OLDHAM BOROUGH OF OLDHAM EDUCATION COMMITTEE SOUTH CHADDERTON SCHOOL

Chadderton, Oldham BL9 8BA

The following 3 posts are available from September 1986.

HEAD OF HISTORY - SCALE 2

An enthusiastic and well qualified graduate is required to teach French across the ability range. The subject is taught up to and including 'A' level.

MODERN LANGUAGES TEACHER - SCALE 1

An enthusiastic graduate is required to teach French across the ability range. The subject is taught up to and including 'A' level.

PHYSICS TEACHER - SCALE 2

A lively, enthusiastic and well qualified graduate with an innovative approach is required. The successful candidate will be responsible for the teaching of Physics to CSE and 'A' level and may be expected to have some involvement in the running of the school.

For all above posts, application forms/further details (see) from the Head at the school, returnable to her by 25th April 1986.

An Equal Opportunity Employer. (054481) 135626

Scale 1 Posts

EALING LONDON BOROUGH OF EALING EDUCATION SERVICE

Cherry Hill School, Ealing, London W5 7LH

Required for Summer Term 1986. Supply Teacher for General Subjects mainly in the 13-14 age range. London W5 7LH. Salary: £10,038. Application forms from the Head, Cherry Hill School, Ealing, London W5 7LH. Closing date: 21st April 1986. (035699) 135622

WIMBLEDON

URSULINE HIGH SCHOOL

Wimbledon, London SW20 8BD

Girls Comprehensive High School 13-18. 870 on roll.

Required for September 1986.

Teacher of English to C.S.E. and 'A' Level to cover maternity leave.

2. Teacher of English to C.S.E. and 'A' Level throughout the school. (A part-time position is a possibility).

3. Teacher of Sociology to C.S.E. and 'A' Level throughout the school.

4. Teacher of Biology to C.S.E. and 'A' Level with responsibility for the 13-14 year group to cover maternity leave.

5. Teacher of Art to C.S.E. and 'A' Level to cover maternity leave.

6. C.F.V.E. coordinator. Scale 3. Ability to teach another subject essential.

Closing date: 25th April 1986. (08911) 135622

SUNDERLAND BOROUGH OF SUNDERLAND EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Required for 1st September 1986.

Applications are invited from qualified teachers for permanent full-time or part-time supply appointments in primary and secondary schools. Salary: Burnham Scale 1. The intention is to appoint to a specified area to promote continuity with specified travelling. Application forms and further particulars are obtainable from the Head, Sunderland Education Department, 100, 101, Town Hall, Civic Centre, Sunderland, Tyne and Wear, NE1 1JF. Tel: 0191 282 2253. Closing date: 25th April 1986. (089389) 135622

Sixth Form and Tertiary Colleges

Deputy Headships Second Masters/Mistresses

GROVEDON (LONDON BOROUGH)

Appointment of Deputy Head/Assistant Principal. Grovedon College, 119, 121, 123, 125, London Allotment Road, London NW10 6JH. Tel: 0181 298 4444. Closing date: 25th April 1986. (089389) 140022

SOMERSET COUNTY COUNCIL FROME COLLEGE

Frome, Somerset BA11 1JF

Integration of a Group 13. 13-18 Comprehensive and a Group 14. 14-18 Technical College to be developed as a community college.

DEPUTY HEADSHIP. See under 'Secondary Education' for further details.

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Closing date: 25th April 1986. (08911) 135622

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Sixth Form and Tertiary Colleges

Deputy Headships Second Masters/Mistresses

GROVEDON (LONDON BOROUGH)

Appointment of Deputy Head/Assistant Principal. Grovedon College, 119, 121, 123, 125, London Allotment Road, London NW10 6JH. Tel: 0181 298 4444. Closing date: 25th April 1986. (089389) 140022

SOMERSET COUNTY COUNCIL FROME COLLEGE

Frome, Somerset BA11 1JF

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SPECIAL EDUCATION

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ESSEX
CLIFFWOOD SPECIAL (SLD)
SCICCO
 Number from Lane
 Humberston, Bedford 887
 41W
 (0475) 751
 Tel: South Bedford 887
 41W
 (0475) 751
 Required September 1986.
 This is a new development in the school and an opportunity for a teacher with alternative and motivation to develop their own ideas and details from the Headteacher (0475) 751.

HEREFORD AND WORCESTER COUNTY COUNCIL

BLACKMARSTON SCHOOL
 Ross Road, Hereford HR2 7AL

Required from September 1986, a teacher for children with severe learning difficulties.

Applicants must have skills for developing structured teaching programmes in accordance with an individualised programme. Experience of interest in working with multiply handicapped children would be an advantage. Scale 3 (a) post available for suitably qualified person.

Application forms and further details available from the Headteacher (0475) 751.

HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

COLLETT SCHOOL
 Lockers Park, Hemel Hempstead HP1 1TQ

All day school for children with severe learning difficulties.

Required September 1986 a scale 2 (a) class teacher for four year old children with severe learning difficulties. The teacher will oversee the several classes of children and will be involved in extra-curricular educational activities. A diploma in special education is desirable. (09517) 160080

Curriculum Development and In-Service Support

Peripatetic Teacher

1st September 1986, in the area of Gifted and More Able Children.

This is a challenging, newly created post in the Borough to assist the General Inspector with responsibility for Special Education in the development of support for gifted and more able children in Primary and Secondary schools. It is intended that the Peripatetic Teacher will be based at the Curriculum Development Centre, but will spend much of their time working in schools with teachers, offering support and guidance.

Ideally, we seek an experienced practitioner, already holding a senior position. He/she will have been involved in the practical implementation of ideas and co-ordinating the work of others. Commitment, energy and enthusiasm will be needed to fulfill this role to its maximum potential.

Salary - Senior Teacher Scale £10,758 - £14,532 plus £876 London Area Allowance, plus Essential Car User Allowance.

Application forms and further details available from the Director of Education, The Town Hall, Wiltshire Road, Bromley, Kent BR1 1SB (0475) 751. Please send to whom completed forms should be returned by 6th May 1986.

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MERTON LONDON BOROUGH OF

EDUCATION COMMITTEE
 MERTON IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

CHURCH ROAD, MITCHEM
 Surrey CR4 3BE

Head Teacher: Mr. R.O. Phipps

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BUTON LINKS SECONDARY DAY

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SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL

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APPOINTMENTS IN SCOTLAND

HM INSPECTORS OF SCHOOLS, SCOTLAND
£17,000 - £22,930
ENGLISH

HM Inspectors of Schools are concerned chiefly with the inspection of primary and secondary schools and of establishments of further and higher education. They may also be required to advise on matters of educational policy and administration and there are opportunities for assisting with curriculum development in most fields. Considerable travel is involved with overnight absences from home.

A vacancy will exist in English from 1 September. The main concern of the post, is the inspection of secondary schools. Successful candidates will require to take up appointment on 1 September or as soon as possible thereafter.

All candidates (preferably aged between 30 and 45) must have a degree in English with 1st or 2nd Class honours. They must also have an appropriate teaching qualification and have had good and relevant teaching experience. Knowledge and experience of curriculum development and innovation in secondary education are highly desirable.

Starting salary within the quoted range according to qualification and experience. Promotion prospects to £25,530 and above.

For further details and an application form (to be returned by 2 May 1986) write to Civil Service Commission, Alencon Link, Basingstoke, Hants, RG21 1JB or telephone Basingstoke (0256) 468851 (answering service operates outside office hours).

Please quote reference: G/8663

Scottish Education Department

The Civil Service is an equal opportunity employer

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ORKNEY ISLANDS COUNCIL

Education Department
ROUSAY PRIMARY SCHOOL
(Roll 20)

HEAD TEACHER

Applications are invited from qualified and experienced primary teachers for the above post. Applicants must be registered with the General Teaching Council for Scotland.

The salary is in accordance with the Scottish Teachers Salaries Memorandum plus a responsibility payment of £1,521.000, and an island allowance of £1,101.00 per annum.

A school house with garage is available and assistance is given with removal expenses.

Further details and application forms (to be returned not later than Monday 12 May 1986) may be obtained from the Director of Education, Council Offices, Kirkwall, Orkney.

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LOTHIAN REGIONAL COUNCIL
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
TEACHING APPOINTMENTS
PRIMARY

HEAD TEACHER: Flora Stevenson Primary School, Edinburgh E15 1HQ
Letham Primary School, Livingston G3 442
(Subject to review)

Stockbridge Primary School, Edinburgh EH16 3JG

SECONDARY

PRINCIPAL TEACHER: Musselburgh Grammar School, Musselburgh - Phyllis G3 216

Salary will be in accordance with the current Scottish Teachers Salaries Memorandum.

Application forms and further particulars for the above posts may be obtained from the Head of Personnel, Personnel Section, 40 Torphichen Street, Edinburgh EH9 5JL

Closing date for applications is 25 April 1986.

AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES EMPLOYER

Times Educational Supplement - Friday 11 April 1986

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Independent Schools

Headships

DORSET

HURN COURT SCHOOL, Christchurch Dorset BH3 6AB

Independent Boarding & Day School for Boys 11-18

The position of HEAD

becomes vacant in September 1986 due to the unavoidable early retirement of the present Headmaster.

Hurn Court, partially housed in a listed 16th Century building, is situated in a beautiful rural setting, and provides education for up to 150 pupils to O Level and CSE standards. It also has a large and flourishing remedial department.

Preference will be given to graduates who will find this a most challenging position. Family accommodation will be available with the post.

Please apply in writing to the Bursar from whom application forms and further information may be obtained. (08851) 180010

Deputy Headships

Second Masters/Mistresses

WORCESTERSHIRE

KILBURN SCHOOL, Martley, Worcester WR6 6DB

Headship required for September at this small secondary school which specialises in girls' education.

Applications invited from teachers with experience in the field of specific learning difficulties.

For full information write to the Headmaster or Tel: 09266 233 (05553)

Remedial and Special Needs Teaching Posts

Other Assistants

SOMERSET

MILLFIELD SCHOOL, Co-educational boarding school of 1200 pupils, including over 400 sixth formers

Required for September 1986: a teacher of ENGLISH with dynamic pupils.

Ability to help with games (especially cricket, football, fencing) would be an advantage.

Apply to Headmaster, Millfield School, Street, Somerset BA16 0YD, giving curriculum vitae and the names of two referees. (08148) 181084

By Subject Classification

Other Assistants

HAMPSHIRE

ST. SWITHUN'S SCHOOL, Winchester, Hants, SO1 1XA

Headship required for September 1986: a teacher of ENGLISH with dynamic pupils.

Ability to help with games (especially cricket, football, fencing) would be an advantage.

Apply to Headmaster, St. Swithun's School, Winchester, Hants, SO1 1XA, giving curriculum vitae and the names of two referees. (09343) 181694

Other Assistants

LONDON

CITY OF LONDON SCHOOL

HMC 800 day boys 10-18

A good honours graduate is required to teach CLAS- SICS throughout the school from September 1986

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SUFFOLK

FRAMLINGHAM COLLEGE, Woodbridge, Suffolk IP13 9ET

H.M.C. - boarding, co-educational. 512 pupils

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF ART

Required for September 1986: a graduate to teach Art and the History of Art up to and including Advanced Level.

A graduate with a degree in Art and the History of Art, or a similar qualification, is essential. The position is very well paid and offers excellent career prospects.

A.C.V. with the names, addresses and telephone numbers of two referees to the Headmaster. (08838) 181234

Other Assistants

BIRMINGHAM

BOASTON HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, Westbourne Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham B15 2JG

Required for September 1986: a graduate to teach English and Latin to 'A' level and all girls follow a Classical Studies Foundation course in the first year. We are looking for an enthusiastic teacher, preferably with experience in the field of specific learning difficulties.

Salary will be on the Burnham Scale 1.

The school is situated in a pleasant residential area south of the city centre.

Applications should be made giving names and addresses of two referees to the Headmaster at the school. (08973) 181624

Other Assistants

LONDON SE22

ALLEYNS' SCHOOL, Dulwich

Independent, Co-educational Day School

880 pupils, 230 in the Sixth Form

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Other Assistants

ESSEX

NEW HALL SCHOOL, Boreham, Chelmsford, Essex CM3 3JG

Required for September 1986: a teacher of CLASSICS. The post will be for one year in the first instance.

The successful candidate will join a flourishing department with a proven record for excellent results. Ability to teach to 'A' level would be essential.

Please apply to: The Headmaster's Secretary or to the Headmaster, details on (08437) 467586. 181694

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HERTFORDSHIRE

ALBA HIGH SCHOOL, C. of E. 375 girls over 11 100

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Other Assistants

MANCHESTER

THE ROYAL WOLVERHAMPTON SCHOOL, Wolverhampton WV3 0XJ

Required for September 1986: a well-qualified, enthusiastic teacher to join an established and successful department. The post would suit a young person with a degree in English and a willingness to take on a challenging role. The school has its own salary scale and offers excellent career prospects.

Applications should be made giving names and addresses of two referees to the Headmaster at the school. (09105) 182224

Other Assistants

BLACKBURN

QUEEN ELIZABETH'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL, Blackburn, Lancs. BB1 3QX

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PORTSMOUTH

GRAMMAR SCHOOL, Portsmouth, Hants. PO1 1JG

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AVON

WINDCOT SCHOOL, Wincot, Stroud, Glos. GL8 3JG

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Other Assistants

GLoucestershire

CLAREMONT COURT SCHOOL, Ray Mill Road, East, Maidenhead, Berkshire

Required for September 1986: a graduate to teach English and Latin to 'A' level and all girls follow a Classical Studies Foundation course in the first year. We are looking for an enthusiastic teacher, preferably with experience in the field of specific learning difficulties.

Salary will be on the Burnham Scale 1.

The school is situated in a pleasant residential area south of the city centre.

MANCHESTER

THE ROYAL WOLVERHAMPTON SCHOOL, Wolverhampton WV3 0XJ

Required for September 1986: a well-qualified, enthusiastic teacher to join an established and successful department. The post would suit a young person with a degree in English and a willingness to take on a challenging role. The school has its own salary scale and offers excellent career prospects.

Applications should be made giving names and addresses of two referees to the Headmaster at the school. (09105) 182224

Other Assistants

BLACKBURN

QUEEN ELIZABETH'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL, Blackburn, Lancs. BB1 3QX

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Other Assistants

LONDON SE22

ALLEYNS' SCHOOL, Dulwich

Independent, Co-educational Day School

880 pupils, 230 in the Sixth Form

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PORTSMOUTH

GRAMMAR SCHOOL, Portsmouth, Hants. PO1 1JG

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AVON

WINDCOT SCHOOL, Wincot, Stroud, Glos. GL8 3JG

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EDINBURGH

ST. GEORGE'S SCHOOL, Edinburgh EH1 3JG

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COLLEGES OF FURTHER EDUCATION

ESSEX
CHELMSFORD COLLEGE OF FURTHER EDUCATION
 Chelmsford, Essex
 Applications are invited for the post of Head of Department of Science (Grade IV). The post is available from 1st September 1988. The successful applicant will be responsible for the development of science courses and the management of the department. Further details and application forms are available from the Principal, Chelmsford College of Further Education, Chelmsford, Essex. Closing date for completed applications: 28th April 1988. (05755) 220018

LINCOLNSHIRE

GRANTHAM COLLEGE OF FURTHER EDUCATION
 Education Officer
 (Head of Department)
 HM Prison, Morton Hall
 (211, 644 - 818, 284)
 Applications are invited for the post of Education Officer, HM Prison, Morton Hall, Swindon, Wiltshire. The post is available from 1st September 1988. The successful applicant will be responsible for the development of education and training activities for prisoners. Further details and application forms are available from the Principal, Grantham College, Grantham, Lincolnshire. Closing date for completed applications: 28th April 1988. (05355) 220018

LEICESTERSHIRE

COUNTY COUNCIL
 An Equal Opportunities Employer
CHARLES KEENE
 College of Further Education
 Leicester
 Tel: (0533) 56037
 Applications are invited for the post of Head of Department of Mechanical Engineering (Grade IV). The post is available from 1st September 1988. The successful applicant will be responsible for the development of mechanical engineering courses and the management of the department. Further details and application forms are available from the Principal, Charles Keene College of Further Education, Leicester. Closing date for completed applications: 28th April 1988. (05335) 220018

WILTSHIRE

THE COLLEGE
 Swindon
HEAD OF DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICITY AND TECHNOLOGY (Grade V)
 RE-ADVERTISEMENT
 Applications are invited for the post of Head of Department of Electricity and Technology (Grade V). The post is available from 1st September 1988. The successful applicant will be responsible for the development of electricity and technology courses and the management of the department. Further details and application forms are available from the Principal, The College, Swindon. Closing date for completed applications: 28th April 1988. (05335) 220018

BREXLEY

LONDON BOROUGH OF
ERITH COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY
 L.I. Health Subjects
 To teach Health Subjects to Pre-Social Care, Child Care, Special Needs and N.E.S. courses. A Health Visitors Qualification is essential.
 Applications are invited for the post of Lecturer in Health Subjects. The post is available from 1st September 1988. The successful applicant will be responsible for the development of health subjects courses and the management of the department. Further details and application forms are available from the Principal, Erith College of Technology, Erith, Kent. Closing date for completed applications: 28th April 1988. (05335) 220018

CLEVELAND

COUNTY COUNCIL
 An Equal Opportunities Employer
LONGLANDS COLLEGE OF FURTHER EDUCATION
 Applications are invited for the post of Lecturer in Electronics. The post is available from 1st September 1988. The successful applicant will be responsible for the development of electronics courses and the management of the department. Further details and application forms are available from the Principal, Longlands College of Further Education, Middlesbrough. Closing date for completed applications: 28th April 1988. (05335) 220018

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BRENT
LONDON BOROUGH OF
BRENT COLLEGE OF FURTHER EDUCATION
 Applications are invited for the post of Lecturer in Electronics. The post is available from 1st September 1988. The successful applicant will be responsible for the development of electronics courses and the management of the department. Further details and application forms are available from the Principal, Brent College of Further Education, Brent. Closing date for completed applications: 28th April 1988. (05335) 220018

BREXLEY

LANGLAY COLLEGE
 Applications are invited for the post of Lecturer in Electronics. The post is available from 1st September 1988. The successful applicant will be responsible for the development of electronics courses and the management of the department. Further details and application forms are available from the Principal, Langlay College, Brent. Closing date for completed applications: 28th April 1988. (05335) 220018

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BEXLEY LONDON BOROUGH
ERITH COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY
 Applications are invited for the following senior posts:
VICE-PRINCIPAL
 (Group 6)
HEAD OF FACULTY OF PRE-VOCATIONAL STUDIES
 (Head of Department Grade VI)
HEAD OF STAFF AND CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT
 (Head of Department Grade VI)
 The College will from September 1988 have a structure based upon three Faculties concerned with pre-vocational, vocational and continuing vocational education. The person appointed to the above posts will need to be understanding towards the needs of the community and sympathetic to the aims of the new College structure. The work of the College encompasses Arts, Business Studies, Construction and Engineering as well as other courses intended to service the community.
 Salaries in accordance with the Barrow (F.R.) Report.
 London Allowance 20%
 Further details and application forms (s.a.s. please) may be obtained from the Director of Education to whom completed forms should be returned by April 28th, 1988.
 DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION,
 TOWNHALL,
 CRAYFORD,
 KENT, DA1 4EN. (05335) 220018

AVON COUNTY
CITY OF BATH TECHNICAL COLLEGE
LECTURER GRADE I IN PHYSICS
 Required from 1.9.88 to 31.12.87 on a fixed term contract.
 Applicants should have experience in teaching the level Theatre Arts syllabus and Television Studies at 'O' level.
 Salary: Lecturer - £11,547 - £12,945.
 Further details and an application form can be obtained from the Principal, City of Bath Technical College, Bath BA1 1UP. Closing date 28th April 1988.
 Avon is an equal opportunities employer. (05456) 220026

BRENT
 (London Borough of)
KILBURN POLYTECHNIC
 Prory Park Road, NW6 1YB
INDUSTRIAL LANGUAGE TRAINING UNIT
HEAD OF UNIT (SENIOR LECTURER)
 (RE-ADVERTISEMENT) (POST NO 85/27)
 The Brent ILT Unit is part of a national scheme funded by the MSC which provides a range of training services and advice to promote positive relations in the multi racial workplace and in organisations which provide a service to the community. The ILT Unit works through employers, unions and community groups to eliminate discrimination and to further equality of opportunity. The work is highly varied. Candidates should have a commitment to the promotion of equal opportunities and the elimination of discrimination. In addition to proven successful administrative/organisational skills, candidates should offer either qualifications or experience in two or more of the following: Training, Equal Opportunities, Race Relations, Industry, Business or Public Service, Marketing.
 Salary: £11,955 - £14,048 Plus London Allowance of £1038.
 Brent is an equal opportunities employer.
 Brent is fundamentally committed to Multi-Cultural Education.
 Candidates who applied previously, should write to the Principal, if they wish to be reconsidered.
 Further particulars and application forms, returnable within 14 days of this advertisement may be obtained from the Principal on receipt of a S.A.E. (05751) 220055

TRESHAM COLLEGE
 The following vacancies at this College are required from September 1988:-
Lecturer Grade I in ACCOUNTANCY
 Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced persons to teach on a wide range of courses: 'O' level, BTEC First Certificate and BTEC National courses. Experience in computerised accounting would be a distinct advantage.
Lecturer Grade I in ECONOMICS
 (1 year appointment from September 1988)
 Applications are invited from suitably qualified persons to teach economics and related subjects on a wide range of courses: 'O' level, BTEC National and LCC Secretarial courses.
Lecturer Grade I in CONSTRUCTION
 A vacancy exists for a full-time member of staff to teach to Advanced Craft level in Brickwork and associated trade skills. Preference will be given to candidates who can offer expertise and who are qualified to teach a variety of units at BTEC Diploma level.
Lecturer Grade I in BEAUTY THERAPY
 Suitably qualified/experienced persons are invited to apply for this post to teach on a course leading to the award of the City & Guilds Beauty Therapy Certificate. There is a new purpose built centre to provide for this expanding area of work.
Senior Lecturer in CATERING
 Applications are invited for the vacant post of Senior Lecturer in Catering to commence 1st September, 1988, in the Department of Catering & Hairdressing. Candidates must have industrial experience, a teaching qualification and advanced qualifications relative to their area of expertise.
Lecturer Grade I in ART & DESIGN
 (One Year Post)
 Required to teach Art in 2- and 3-D media and run a small, but thriving, Art Section in Corby. Teaching will primarily be with adults and full-time students on G.C.E., Hairdressing & Beauty Therapy courses.
Associate Lecturer in ART & DESIGN
 Required to teach 16 1/2 hours per week (normally four working days). A main interest in Ceramics is desirable, with an ability to teach other areas of design.
SALARIES: (Under review)
 Lecturer Grade I - £8,207 - £11,037
 Senior Lecturer - £11,733 - £13,785
 F.E. Conditions of Service will apply.
 For further details and application forms for any of the above posts, please contact:-
 The Principal's Secretary, Tresham College,
 St. Mary's Road, Kettering, Northants.
 Tel: Kettering 85563 Ext. 205. (0432)

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THE WELLINGBOROUGH COLLEGE
BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL BOARD OF STUDY
 The Wellingborough College wishes to appoint two Lecturers.
POST 1: LECTURER GRADE 2 IN ACCOUNTING
 The successful applicant will be required to teach Accounting, Finance and related subjects on the following courses:
 BTEC National
 NEBSS
 MSC 'Start a Business' Short Courses
 Also, the successful applicant will be expected to further develop the work of the College in providing Accounting and Finance courses for local industry.
POST 2: LECTURER GRADE 2 IN SUPERVISORY STUDIES AND RETAIL DISTRIBUTION
 The successful applicant will be required to further develop the work of the College in the areas of Supervisory Studies (NEBSS, Short Courses (Interviewing Skills, Staff Appraisal and Supervisory Studies) and BTEC City and Guilds work in the area of retail and wholesale distribution. Candidates should be able to teach a range of Business subjects, but not necessarily both supervisory and retail subjects.
 For both posts candidates should have appropriate qualifications which may include degree, postgraduate or qualifications from a professional body. A Certificate of Education or City and Guilds 730 Certificate would be an added advantage.
 The successful applicants will be joining a team of 'go-ahead' and innovative business studies lecturers and, in both cases, will be expected to share in the administrative load associated with business studies courses. Currently the Board of Study is examining the provision of work experience for students; residential visits and liaison with industry and candidates would be expected to demonstrate a willingness to become involved in these activities.
 Closing date for receipt of applications will be Thursday 17th April 1988.
 Application forms are obtainable from:-
 The Senior Administrative Officer,
 The Wellingborough College, Church Street,
 WELLINGBOROUGH, Northants, NN8 4PD.
 Tel. No. (0933) 224185 (0344)

Lothian Region
Colleges of Further Education
WEST LOTHIAN COLLEGE
PRINCIPAL
 West Lothian College offers a wide range of full-time and part-time courses and programmes and has a significant involvement in MSC programmes in general and YTS in particular. The College is currently a Group 6 College in terms of the Scottish Teachers' Salaries Memorandum 1980 and the post carries a salary of £21,827.
 A significant development of Further Education and training provision is being considered to meet the needs of Livingston New Town. The candidate appointed to the post of Principal of West Lothian College must have the drive and leadership qualities to play a leading role in the development of the education service in the area.
 Application forms and further particulars from: Head of Personnel, Department of Education, Lothian Regional Council, 40 Torphichen Street, Edinburgh EH3 8JL, Telephone 031 229 8168 extension 2260, to whom completed forms should be returned by Tuesday 29th April 1988. (047)

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CAMBRIDGESHIRE
ISLE COLLEGE, WISBECH
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL STAFF
Head of Department Grade 5
 Owing to the promotion of the present post holder to a Vice Principality, the College wishes to appoint a lively and energetic person to the position of Assistant Principal Staff in a progressive and caring Further Education College with a multi-organisational, which is going to start in September, 1988. Main responsibilities will be Staff and Curriculum Development, Teaching Staff and Support Services Management and a commitment and full involvement in County and in House INSET.
 It is hoped that the appointment will be from 1st September, 1988.
 Further details and application forms are available from The Principal, Isle College, Wisbech, PE15 2JE Telephone: Wisbech 582551
 Closing date for applications within two weeks of this advertisement. (0437)

SHROPSHIRE EDUCATION COMMITTEE
Equal Opportunities Employer
Shropshire County Council
Education Department, Shrewsbury, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury.
COUNTY PICKUP/ MARKETING MANAGER
 Required for September or earlier if possible, a county marketing manager to be responsible to the County Education Officer for co-ordinating and promoting college marketing initiatives. A background of marketing and/or industrial training essential, and a good working knowledge of further education would be a distinct advantage.
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 Further details and application forms from the County Education Officer at the above address. (SAE) Closing date 28 April 1988. (0401)

BOURNEMOUTH & POOLE COLLEGE OF FURTHER EDUCATION
 The following posts will become available on 1 September 1988.
Catering, Tourism & Hotel Operations
 Lecturer Grade 2 in Hotel Reception Studies
Construction
 Lecturer Grade 2 in Brickwork
 Lecturer Grade 1 in Carpentry & Joinery (2 posts)
 Lecturer Grade 1 in Construction Services
 Lecturer Grade 1 in Building Construction and Materials Science & Testing.
Business Studies
 The following staff are required to cover a range of courses to BTEC National Diploma standard in specialist fields as defined below but preferably also able to offer additional areas of expertise. Applicants should be graduates or graduate equivalents in appropriate fields.
 Lecturer Grade 2 in Law
 Lecturer Grade 1 in Business Administration
 Lecturer Grade 1 in Bookkeeping/Accounts
Hairdressing & Beauty Therapy
 Lecturer Grade 1 in Beauty Therapy
 Applicants should have qualifications in Beauty Therapy and appropriate salon experience.
Engineering
 Lecturer Grade 2 in Mechanical & Production Engineering
 Graduate or graduate equivalent required, preferably able to offer experienced support in CAD/CAM systems.
 Lecturer Grade 2 in Electrical Engineering
 Graduate or graduate equivalent in Electrical or Electronic Engineering with practical experience in the electrical industry, preferably with experience of computer applications.
 Lecturer Grade 2 in Applied Engineering Physics
 Graduate or graduate equivalent in Mechanical Engineering or Applied Physics to specialist the development of Applied Physics to Engineering principles and practices.
 Lecturer Grade 1 in Electronics
 Applicants should have appropriate qualifications at least to full GCE A2 in Electronic Science and evidence of practical skills and experience.
 Lecturer Grade 1 in Motor Vehicle Subjects
 To teach Damage Practice and Allied Subjects. Applicants should have appropriate experience and qualifications.
 Lecturer Grade 1 in Fabrication & Welding
 Applicants must hold appropriate qualifications and have experience of current techniques in fabrication and welding.
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Science, Maths & Computing
 Lecturer Grade 2 in Computing
 To teach programming and applications to 'A' Level standard and involvement in developing areas of application to commercial industry.
 Lecturer Grade 1 in Applied Science
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 To teach to 'A' Level and Diploma standards and be able to coach instrumental, choral and orchestral ensembles.
 Lecturer Grade 1 in Communication Skills & Social Studies
 Salary Lecturer 1: £8,207 - £11,037
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 Application forms and further details from the Principal's Secretary, BPCFE, North Road, Poole, Dorset (PO22 7JW) to be returned by 29th April 1988. (0472)

Newman & Westhill Colleges
Birmingham
TVEI - Related In Service Training (TRIST)
LECTURER III/ SENIOR LECTURER
In Information Technology
 From 1st April 1988 or as soon as possible thereafter, until 31st August 1987
 (Funded by MSC)
 Applications are invited from experienced practitioners of Information Technology in the Secondary and FE Field for this new and challenging post to devise and initiate a pilot INSET project in collaboration with the West Midlands (MACE) Local Education Authority.
 The person appointed will be expected to investigate LEA INSET needs and to develop a flexible training programme on capital Information Technology to enable LEA participants to apply IT within their own subject specialisms.
 This joint appointment to the two Colleges is at the Lecture III/Senior Lecturer Level.
 It is expected that the successful applicant will be in sympathy with the aims of the two voluntary colleges.
 Secondment maybe possible for serving teachers.
 Further details from the Principal, Westhill College, Weoley Park Road, Selly Oak, Birmingham B29 6LL Tel: 021 472 7245. (0395)

MID WARWICKSHIRE COLLEGE OF FURTHER EDUCATION
 Warwick New Road, Leamington Spa
 CV32 5JE
 Telephone Leamington Spa 311711.
DIRECTORS OF STUDY
H.O.D. Grade IV
 Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced applicants for the two vacant posts of Directors of Study.
 Post 1: Art & Design
 Post 2: Business & Secretarial Studies.
 Further particulars are available from the Principal's Secretary. Completed applications should be returned to the Principal within 14 days of the appearance of this advertisement.
 Times Ed Supplement Art & Design Section Heads of Department.
 Mid-Warwickshire College, Leamington Spa. See Display Advertisement. (0443)

LONDON BOROUGH OF EALING
Southall College of Technology
Sector Manager for Business, Computing and Community Education
 Salary: Burnham Head of Department Grade V £18,284 - £20,186 inclusive of London allowance.
 Applications are invited for this new post effective from 1 September 1988.
 Applicants must be graduates with proven administrative and organisational skills. Further or higher education, relevant industrial/commercial experience will be a requirement. Personal commitment and an ability to communicate effectively with staff and outside agencies, whether industrial/commercial or community based, will be essential.
 Further particulars and application forms obtainable from Mr Peter G. Clark to the Governing Body, Southall College of Technology, Beaconsfield Road, Southall, Middlesex UB1 1DP. Telephone 01-874 3448 extension 202. Closing date 28 April 1988. (0494)

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NORTH DEVON COLLEGE

Principal: D. Trueman, B.Sc.

Applications are invited for the following posts to date from the 1 September 1988.

Department of Social and Community Studies

Head of Department Grade III

A person of energy and enthusiasm is required to head a new department with CPVE, Nursery Nursing, Community Care and similar courses with GCE 'A' Level teaching Psychology, Sociology, Politics etc.

Department of Creative Arts

LI IN DESIGN, GRAPHICS AND PHOTOGRAPHY

Candidates should, preferably, have industrial and relevant teaching experience. The main area of work will be concerned with specialist teaching of students on a BTEC General Art and Design Course.

Department of Business Studies

LECTURER I IN ACCOUNTS

To teach Accounts and Business Calculations up to BTEC National Level. An ability to teach Business Administration in the new BTEC National Module 'People in Organisations' would be an advantage. Applicants should have an appropriate degree, or equivalent qualifications, and preferably be teacher-trained.

Department of Food and Fashion

LECTURER I IN CATERING SUBJECTS

To teach practical cookery and ancillary subjects to students for CGLI 705 & 706 qualifications as well as BTEC National Diploma. Appropriate professional qualifications are essential and a teaching qualification is desirable.

Department of Engineering

LECTURER II ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING

To teach mainly on the following courses: BTEC National Certificate and Diploma, EIB and Craft Courses, and A Level Electronic Design and Technology. Candidates should have an appropriate degree, or equivalent qualifications, and preferably be teacher-trained.

Salaries are in accordance with the current Burnham F.E. regulations. Further details and an application form can be obtained (S.A.E. please) from the Vice-Principal's Secretary, North Devon College, Old Stokepath Hill, Barnstaple, North Devon, EX31 2BQ.

The closing date for application is 25 April, 1988.

DEVON



COLLEGES OF FURTHER EDUCATION

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CHESHIRE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

SOUTH CHESHIRE COLLEGE

LECTURER II CPVE CO-ORDINATOR

A person with an awareness of educational development is required to be responsible for all College work in this expanding area.

Further particulars and application form may be obtained from the College, The Bank Avenue, Warrington, Cheshire, WA1 3QJ. (0925) 5970 590055

DEVON SOUTH DEVON COLLEGE OF ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY

LECTURER II IN COMMUNICATIONS

Required from 1 September 1988 to teach Computing and Information Systems on the College. Applicants should have an appropriate degree, or equivalent qualifications, and preferably be teacher-trained.

Salary: £11,958 - £15,600 plus £678 London Weighting p.a. To be responsible for the management of the College's Computing Team.

Duties include financial/maritime management; development of new curricula in response to perceived local needs; liaison with other departments re College wide initiatives in I.T.; providing leadership to a growing team of staff.

The current portfolio of courses taught include BTEC Certificate and Higher Certificate in Business Studies, O and A Level Computing, Access to Information Technology, Computing and Systems Technology together with Computer Literacy courses across the College. There is a need to develop other course initiatives in Computer Aided Engineering and Computing/Electronics.

The successful applicant should have teaching and commercial or industrial experience, administrative experience, a proven record of course development and be educated to degree level or equivalent.

Senior Lecturer - Civil Engineering

Salary: £11,958 - £14,046 plus £678 London Weighting p.a.

To teach Theory and Design of reinforced concrete and timber, Soil Mechanics and Civil Engineering Construction to H.C. level.

The successful candidate will assist the Head of Team (Civils) with departmental management. She/he will also have a remit for developing and marketing bespoke short courses to meet local employer needs.

Applicants should have teaching and industrial experience and be educated to degree level or equivalent.

Senior Lecturer - Computing (Hardware)

Salary: £11,958 - £14,046 plus £678 London Weighting p.a.

To teach on a variety of courses including O and A Level Computing, BTEC Computing and Systems Technology (a new College designed hybrid course) and various I.T. Literacy courses.

She/he will be responsible to the Head of Team for all College Computing Hardware and the management of its computer hardware facilities.

Working with the Head of Team the successful applicant will also share responsibility for the selection, implementation and operation of new equipment which will be used for the development of courses in Computer Aided Engineering and BTEC Graphical Design.

Candidates should have teaching experience with industrial or commercial experience and be qualified to degree level or equivalent.

Lecturer II - Computing

Salary: £8,076 - £12,945 plus £678 London Weighting p.a.

To teach Computing in one or more of the following areas:

BTEC Information and Data Processing; Computer Studies to O and A Level; Supporting and developing staff for I.T.; Organisation and development of short courses in I.T.

Applicants should have teaching and commercial or industrial experience and be graduates.

Lecturer II - Plant/Production Engineering (CPVE) (or Electrical/Electronic)

Salary: £8,076 - £12,945 plus £678 London Weighting p.a.

To teach Engineering Workshop Theory and Practice and related subjects, together with one or more of the following: Plant Maintenance, Process Plant Design and Detail, Pneumatics and Hydraulics.

The successful applicant will be responsible for the management of the College's engineering workshops and will be expected to develop the resource. She/he will also be required to manage the implementation of the School of Technology's CPVE provision in Production. (Cat. 3)

Applicants should have teaching and industrial experience and be educated to HNC level and equivalent.

N.B. The School of Technology offers a variety of CPVE courses and applications will also be considered with backgrounds in ELECTRICAL AND/OR ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING with an ability to teach up to BTEC Technician Level 3.

School of General Education

Head of Team - Sciences - Senior Lecturer/Principal Lecturer

Salary: £11,958 - £15,600 plus £678 London Weighting per annum

Required from September 1988 an enthusiastic and committed Principal Lecturer in Science to take responsibility for the Science Team and deputise for the Dean of General Education. The person appointed will take responsibility for a staffing complement of eighteen lecturers. The team offers teaching throughout a variety of courses and syllabuses at GCE 'S', 'A' and 'O' level and an increasing involvement in vocational and pre-vocational work such as BTEC, CPVE and YTS. The team is well resourced and has very high academic standards.

Candidates must have good academic qualifications and industrial or commercial experience would be an advantage.

A craft catering course should commence in September 1988; the team runs a Nursery Nursing course and we are looking for developments in the health and caring areas.

Applications are invited for the following appointment in the School of Business Studies and Humanities.

Senior Lecturer - Accounting

Salary: £11,958 - £14,046 plus £678 Outer London Weighting per annum

Required for 1 September 1988 a Senior Lecturer in Accountancy to teach on courses up to and including BTEC HND and to take responsibility for the development of FT courses in Accounting and Finance.

Please enclose a stamped addressed envelope for further particulars and application form that is returnable within two weeks are obtainable from Administrative Assistant (Personnel), Richmond upon Thames College, Egerton Road, Twickenham, TW2 7J.

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Salary: £11,958 - £15,600 plus £678 London Weighting p.a. For further details write to: Alton College, Old Gifford Road, Alton, Hampshire GU34 5JH. Tel: 01329 8111. Applications to be returned by 14 April 1988. 220055

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HUMBERSIDE COUNTY COUNCIL

North Lindsey College of Technology
Kingsway, South Humberside, DN17 1AJ
Applications are invited for the following PERMANENT posts, to commence September, 1986:

1. SENIOR LECTURER IN ART, FASHION AND DESIGN

To be responsible for the coordination, management and development of provision in Art, Fashion and Design. New facilities in Art and Design are scheduled for completion in September, 1987.

Salary scale: Burnham F.E. - £11,958 - £15,045 (Pay award pending).

2. LECTURER II - DEPUTY SECTION LEADER IN BUSINESS STUDIES

An appropriately qualified and experienced Business Studies Lecturer is required to teach from Organisation and its environment, Accounting and Banking and to assist the Section Leader in the organisation and administration of the section.

Salary Scale: Burnham F.E. - £8,076 - £12,945 (Pay award pending).

3. LECTURER I - TRAVEL AND TOURISM AND RECEPTION

Applications are invited from those with the appropriate qualifications and experience, preferably gained in the Travel industry, who can make a significant contribution to teaching and course development of the BTEC Diploma in Travel and Tourism.

4. LECTURER I - COMPUTING STUDIES

To assist in the development and teaching of a wide range of courses across the College.

5. LECTURER I - LEISURE AND RECREATION STUDIES

To assist in the development and teaching in this rapidly expanding area of work.

6. LECTURER I - INSTRUMENTATION/ELECTRONICS

To assist in the teaching and development on a wide range of courses.

Salary Scale: Burnham F.E. - £8,324 - £11,247 (Pay award pending).

Closing date for applications 25th April, 1986.
Further details and application forms are available from the Principal as above (stamped addressed envelope please).

All applicants are considered on the basis of their suitability for the job irrespective of disability, race, creed, sex or marital status. Disabled candidates whose applications have the written support of their D.O. will be guaranteed an interview.

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DURHAM COUNTY COUNCIL

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT DERWENTSIDE TERTIARY COLLEGE

Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced persons for the following posts at Derwentside Tertiary College which will open in September, 1986:

Lecturer Grade I - Secretarial Studies (DC8)

Lecturer Grade I - Law (DC14)

Lecturer Grade I - Business Studies/Computer Applications (DC17)

Lecturer Grade I - History (DC21)

Lecturer Grade I - Basic Education and Special Needs (DC32)

Lecturer Grade I - Mathematics (DC58)

Lecturer Grade I - Computing (DC60)

Lecturer Grade I - Electronics/Micro-Processor Applications (DC82)

Further details and application forms returnable by Monday, 28th April, 1986 are available from the Director of Education, County Hall, Durham, DH1 1JH on receipt of a stamped, addressed envelope.

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Berkshire LANGLEY COLLEGE OF FURTHER EDUCATION

Principal Lecturer - Engineering Group Leader

The above post is available from 1 September 1986 and is an important senior management post.

The successful candidate will be responsible for the Engineering Group and will provide a focus in innovation and development.

The person will be experienced in one or more of the group's principal activities in electronics, microelectronics, control, building services engineering or electrical installation.

Salary Scale: £14,013 - £15,600 (bar) to £17,618 + London fringe allowance.

Berkshire has a scheme for assisting with removal expenses.

The County Council is an equal opportunity employer. Further information and application forms from: The Registrar, Langley College of Further Education, Station Road, Langley, Slough, SL3 8BY. Please enclose a stamped, addressed, foolscap envelope.

Closing date: 28 April 1986.

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COLLEGES OF FURTHER EDUCATION

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ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

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WALTHAM FOREST COLLEGE

Required for 1st September 1986

Lecturer II

to be responsible for the development of Special Educational Needs Programme for those with learning difficulties. The programme will include a full-time post school course with associated link courses and part-time provision. Applicants must have qualifications/experience relating to this special provision combined with expertise in one or more of the following subject areas:

Numeracy, Literacy, CDT, Caring Skills, Life and Social Studies.

Salary: £8,764 to £13,623 according to age and experience.

Lecturer I

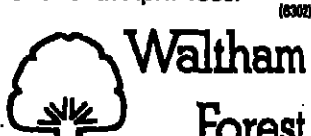
to join a team concerned with the development of the Special Educational Needs Programme described above. Applicants should be experienced in working with young adults who have learning difficulties and should have expertise in one or more of the areas identified above.

Salary: £7,002 to £11,925 according to age and experience.

Application forms from the College Personnel Services Officer, Waltham Forest College, Forest Road, London E17 4JB. Telephone No. 01-527 2311, Ext. 258.

Closing date for applications: 30th April 1986.

AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY
Applicants are considered for their suitability for the post regardless of disability, sex, race and marital status.



CLWYD AND GWYNEDD EDUCATION COMMITTEES

LLANDRILLO TECHNICAL COLLEGE

COLWYN BAY

REQUIRED for 1st September, 1986 -

SENIOR LECTURER IN SECRETARIAL STUDIES

to act as Deputy Head of Department

LECTURER GRADE II SECTION HEAD (Fashion & Home Economics)

LECTURER GRADE I IN HEALTH STUDIES

LECTURER GRADE I IN ELECTRONICS

LECTURER GRADE I IN BUSINESS STUDIES

LECTURER GRADE I IN COMMUNICATIONS (Temporary one year appointment)

Salary Scales

Lecturer I - £8,324 - £11,247

Lecturer II - £8,076 - £12,945

Senior Lecturer - £11,958 - £15,045

Applicants should be experienced in the field of work appropriate to the Department.

The person appointed will assist the Head of Department in the management of the Department.

Applications should be sent to the Director of Education, Clwyd and Gwynedd Education Committee, 10, Victoria Road, Colwyn Bay, LL57 2JH.

Closing date: 28th April, 1986.

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COLLEGES OF FURTHER EDUCATION

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The following post in this Channel is available to those with a Higher Education (1,800 or more hours of postgraduate study) and a minimum of 5 years' experience in the design and technology sector.
SIGN AND TECHNOLOGY
Lecturer scale £8,076-£11,000

well qualified and experienced department in the College for further training experience is a view of technological progress. Design and Technology is a recruitment to courses. Application forms may be obtained from Mr. J. H. R. of Ripon and York St. John's College, York YO1 7EX to whom complete forms should arrive not later than Tuesday 15th October 1985.

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Berry Hill
Barnham TW1 4SX

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MINISTRY OF DEFENCE SERVICE CHILDREN'S EDUCATION AUTHORITY

Senior Teaching Appointment

In Cyprus

The Ministry of Defence invites applications from suitably qualified and experienced individuals for the following post in Cyprus which is to be filled from the Autumn Term 1986.

Headteacher

Akrotiri Primary School, Akrotiri, Cyprus
(Group 6)

The School is located at Akrotiri on south west coast of Cyprus.

The School roll is presently 365 and organised into 16 classes, 8 Junior and 8 Infant. The successful candidate will need to adopt a flexible approach to account for the ever changing needs of the school and be able to work closely with a well motivated staff.

The school is very well equipped.

SALARY is in accordance with the current Burnham Scales. In addition, the London Area Allowance currently £1,038 per annum, is payable.

SUPERANNUATION normal rights are safeguarded.

FOREIGN SERVICE ALLOWANCE A tax free allowance is payable.

ACCOMMODATION is normally provided rent free.

DURATION OF ENGAGEMENT Initially for a period of 3 years.

All applicants should normally be resident in the United Kingdom.

Applicants should note that although the preferred age is under 47 at the commencement of the engagement, selected senior postholders may continue in post until the age of 55.

The Civil Service is an equal opportunities employer.

Requests for an application form and further details should be made to: Ministry of Defence, CM(S)1d3, Room 8/05, St. Christopher's House, Southwick Street, London SE1 0TD or by telephone on 01-921-2114.

The closing date for completed application forms is 30 April 1986.



OVERSEAS POSTS continued

COSTA DEL SOL

ST ANTHONY'S COLLEGE
Málaga, Costa Del Sol
(Ages 5-18)

Required for September 1986. An enthusiastic and experienced teacher for A Level Maths.

This position would be ideal for a teacher who has recently taken or is planning to take early retirement.

Monthly Salary £5,000 to £9,000 depending on experience.

Curriculum vitae and names of two referees to Mr. E. Mullin, 14 Willow Road, Newport, Gwent, NP23 5SD.

FINLAND

Kindergarten in Salo requires a British Infant Trained Teacher to organise all activities for children from 3 to 6, duties include the teaching of English.

Five days/35 hours per week. About 1500 Salo to May 31st 1987. Salary for that period about £3,300 pounds (before tax). Accommodation and travelling costs paid.

Please send your curriculum vitae, recent photograph and covering letter by April 30, 1986 to Mrs. Terhi Alanko, English Club of Salo, P.O. Box 100, 00520 Salo, Finland. (09527) 460000

GERMANY
English teacher with excellent knowledge of German required for commercial English and direct method classes.

Intensive, Markt 89/31, D-5100 Aachen. (08940) 460000

ITALY

The Sir James Henderson British School Milan

This co-educational British school caters for 400 pupils of the British and international communities, ranging from 3-18 years, and prepares students in the upper school for London GCE board 'O' and 'A' levels.

There is a vacancy commencing 1 September 1986 for:

Head of History with Subsidiary English

Candidates: Should be single, experienced graduates able to take responsibility for the History Department throughout the secondary school.

Conditions of Service: Salary range 21.5-23.1 million lire (approximately £9,200-£9,900 p.a.). Permanent contract after four months. Membership of state pension scheme and health service. Settling in allowance plus air-fare London-Milan.

Interviews in London mid-May 1986.

For further details and an application form, please apply to Mr. F. J. Smith, Gabbittas-Thring Services Ltd., 6-8 Sackville Street, London, W1. Tel: 01-734 0161.

Gabbittas-Thring

SUDAN

KHARTOUM INTERNATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL (Khartoum School Trust Ltd.) Khartoum, Sudan

A developing, presently co-educational, English-medium school, modelled on English private school system, leading to London O-Levels. Present roll 140, ages 7-17 years. Class size limited to approx. 22 pupils.

A suitably qualified and experienced Primary Teacher is required, as from 1 August 1986, to join the Primary Headmistress in the newly established Primary School.

Terms include a local salary with superannuation in local currency; Overseas Expatriate Gratuity in US Dollars paid abroad normally quarterly; free furnished accommodation (hard furnishings); paid summer leave and free air tickets annually; free out-patient treatment at a private nursing home; settling-in allowance; inflation allowance; free tuition for one eligible child at the school. Contracts for two-year minimum period extendable; longer contracts preferred.

Grade	Local Salary Range (£/S)	Overseas Expatriate Gratuity (US\$)
1	884/495/48	4224/4754
2	798/435/56	3800/4356
3	708/477/59	3468/4802
4	658/474/38	3148/4738
5	608/460/36	2828/4606

Starting position on scale will depend on qualifications, experience and seniority. Local salary is considered adequate for comfortable living at present.

For further particulars, please send a large S.A.E. to the Khartoum School Trust Ltd., c/o Box No. 755, 00527 TES, Priory House, St. John's Lane, London EC1M 4BX. Applications in duplicate with c.v. and names and addresses of three referees by letter to the same address within two weeks of the date of this advertisement. Interviews in London during April.

KING'S COLLEGE Madrid

1. RESIDENT TEACHER
for post of Head of Chemistry Department. An experienced Graduate is required to teach 'O' and 'A' level G.C.E. standard in the senior department (430 pupils-10 staff). Responsibility Allowance available.

2. RESIDENT TEACHER
for general subjects in the Middle-school age range (10 to 13 yrs.) including some Mathematics in the first two years of the senior department.

3. INFANT DEPARTMENT
(200 pupils-10 staff). A well qualified teacher is required for this flourishing department.

A new purpose built boarding wing with accommodation for 60 pupils has recently been opened.

King's College is an independent day and boarding school with 900 pupils between 3-19 years.

The school is housed in modern purpose-built premises in 8 acres of ground in the countryside near to Madrid.

Applications with full C.V., addresses and telephone numbers of two referees (including present or most recent employers) and photograph should be sent to the Headmaster, King's College, Avda. Stuyck, 1, 28016 Madrid, as soon as possible.

Interview will be held in London in May.



UNITED WORLD COLLEGE OF SOUTH EAST ASIA SINGAPORE

The United World College of South East Asia offers a secondary education to boys and girls of all nationalities, boarding and day students, in the age range 11-18. There are 100 teaching staff and 1350 students in the College. Academic courses lead to G.C.E. 'O' Level (U.K.) and the International Baccalaureate. The College is committed to the ideals of the UWC movement, promoting a broad curriculum, involving service to the community and an adventurous range of extra-mural activities. A two-week annual Arts Festival holds a leading place in the College calendar. Good facilities and well-motivated students provide an excellent working environment while Singapore offers modern living conditions for staff and families. Initial contracts are for four years with leave after two, though there is the option to renew to three years without leave. Many teachers are invited to renew or extend their contracts.

Applications are invited from experienced and qualified teachers of all nationalities for the following posts which will fall vacant from September 1986:

- SECOND IN ENGLISH FACULTY (UWCSEA SCALE 3)** To teach at all levels and to participate fully in the administration and policy-making of a faculty of fourteen teachers including ESL department. A commitment to mixed-ability teaching and school-based assessment is essential.
- TEACHER OF GEOGRAPHY** up to pre-university level. An interest in fieldwork and experience of modern approaches to the subject in line with new GCSE courses essential.
- TEACHER OF FRENCH AND SPANISH** across the full age - and ability range from young beginners to pre-university level. Native speaker fluency in both languages and a knowledge of the literature are essential.

Note: The College is interested in teachers who, in addition to their main teaching discipline, can offer experience in outdoor pursuits or artistic endeavours and a commitment to some form of social service. Letters of application, with a detailed curriculum vitae and names of two referees should be sent to:

The Headmaster,
United World College of South East Asia,
P.O. Box 15, Singapore 8111.

For further details and an application form, please apply to Mr. F. J. Smith, Gabbittas-Thring Services Ltd., 6-8 Sackville Street, London, W1. Tel: 01-734 0161.

INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION SAUDI ARABIA

ENGLISH LANGUAGE INSTRUCTORS

The I.P.A., a government institution for administrative development, is based in Riyadh and has branches in Jeddah and Dammam. There are three substantial English Language Centres. The centres are generously equipped and offer a challenging variety of English language courses. Vacancies exist in all three locations for instructors for 1986-87. Consideration will be given to married teaching couples.

QUALIFICATIONS: a first degree with a post-graduate qualification in TEFL/Applied Linguistics and appropriate teaching experience. Familiarity with the Middle East and experience of ESP would be welcome.

CONTRACT: one year, renewable, offering a basic monthly salary in the range 4080 - 8880 SR + 500 SR transportation allowance, free of local taxes. (1 Pound = 5.3 SR approx.)

BENEFITS: include annual round-trip tickets for teacher and family, free furnished accommodation, 45 days paid vacation plus local holidays, education allowance, free medical care and end-of-service gratuity.

Applicants should send a covering letter and CV to:

The Director,
English Language Centre,
Institute of Public Administration,
Riyadh 11541,
Saudi Arabia.

THE ENGLISH MONTESSORI SCHOOL, MADRID

Co-Ed Day School NOR 550
requires:

1 INFANT TEACHER 1 LOWER JUNIOR TEACHER 1 UPPER JUNIOR TEACHER

with interests in library work.

Duties: to teach pupils of a mainly non-English background. Applicants should be prepared to adapt themselves and their work to the Spanish environment.

Qualifications: Recognised teaching qualifications for appropriate ranges. 2 years experience.

Contract: 2 years, commencing September '86, renewable.

Letter for application, plus curriculum vitae to:

Headmaster,
The English Montessori School, Eduardo Vela 10,
Aravaca, 28023 Madrid, Spain

OVERSEAS POSTS continued

CANADA

UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
DEPT OF MATHS
Applications are invited for a tenure track position in the area of applied mathematics, preferably applied to one or more of the following fields: stochastic fluid dynamics, non-linear differential equations, applied optimization, biomathematics or resource modelling. In addition to carrying out undergraduate and graduate instruction, the successful applicant will become an active member of the Institute of Applied Mathematics, which offers interdisciplinary M.Sc. and Ph.D. degrees.

Salary commensurate with experience and research record.

Applicants must include a complete C.V. and arrange for at least three referees to write references to be mailed directly to: Head, Mathematics Department, The University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada V6T 1Y4.

Applications received after May 31st will be considered only if position remains unfilled.

In accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, priority will be given to Canadian citizens and permanent residents of Canada.

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GERMANY
Small highly professional school in Moenchengladbach requires trained teachers to commence mid-April for in-company and in-school classes. Initially half-time leading to full-time. TEFL experience and qualifications preferred.

Interviews in London.

Please send curriculum vitae, recent photo and self-addressed envelope to: Teachers in Greece, c/o Tel. 00, Zographou, Athens 157 01, Greece. (08935) 460000

GREECE
TEFL Teachers required for Athens, Thessaloniki, provincial towns, Crete and other islands for school and adult classes. Applicants must have a degree and/or teaching experience. TEFL experience and qualifications preferred.

Interviews in London.

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GREECE

T.E.F.L., preferably retired, from September 1986 to end of May 1987. Purpose of visit: to teach, fully furnished, provided free. Visas to be arranged. 3 Vase Konnou Street, 05-071 00 Xanthi, Greece. (08934) 460000

MALAYSIA

PRINCE COLLEGE
Kuala Lumpur
(Ind. Sch Form College)

Experienced teacher of ECO-NOMICS AND BUSINESS STUDIES (Commerce) required for Sept 86/Jan 87.

Two year initial contract. Own salary scales in range M354,000 to M384,000 p.m. plus terminal gratuity. 2000 hours per annum.

Applicants with c.v. and photograph to: Mr. Ming-Guo, Room 109 Resource House, Jalan Raja Laut, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Interviews in U.K.

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ITALY

ST. STEPHEN'S SCHOOL
Rome, Italy
Applications are invited for the following positions: Physics and Chemistry, J.S.T. and S.L. qualified candidates with teaching experience in the 'A' level and/or 'B' as the upper secondary level. Certified Librarian, experienced. Candidates requested to write, including curriculum, recent photograph, three referees, to: Headmaster, St. Stephen's School, Roma Aventina, 00187, Rome, Italy. Phone: (06) 5146007. (08935) 460000

ITALY

British Institute of Monza (Milan) are looking for qualified T.E.F.L. teachers (minimum R.S.A. exp.) for school year 1986/87.

Please send by express de- tailed, photo and self-addressed envelope to: Vito Vito, Istituto Vito Vito, 20132, Milano, Italy. (02) 580000

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ISTANBUL

To teach Maths, Science and English lang. at modern Private Secondary and High schools.

Interviews - 21st to 25th April 1986.

Send Mr. B. Keys up to 21st April on 01-563 1788 for details. Tel. 01-608 0011. 5.00 pm. (08745) 460000

EFL TEACHERS

£15,700 pa tax free in Saudi Arabia

Cable and Wireless, the worldwide telecommunications Group, has established a nationwide telecommunications network for the Saudi Arabian National Guard. Training is an integral part of the project at the National Guard's well-equipped training school in Riyadh, where theoretical and practical telecommunications skills are taught.

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The ability to produce effective ESP material particularly at an elementary level and the use of video in language teaching is required.

We are offering single status renewable contracts of approx 15 months duration with:

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Recruitment Manager, Cable and Wireless plc, Mercury House, Theobalds Road, London WC1X 8BR or telephone 01-405 4980 (24 hours) for an application form. Previous applicants need not re-apply.



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ENGLISH LANGUAGE CENTER

The ELC is responsible for preparing approximately 1000-1400 male students per year for study in all English-medium technical courses leading to Bachelors' degrees in Science, Engineering and Management. The Center currently employs some 70 teachers (British, American, Canadian and Australian) and is expected to expand. The programme is biased towards English for academic purposes. Well equipped language labs, an audio-visual studio and 60 computer assisted instruction terminals form part of the technical equipment available.

We have opportunities for well qualified, committed and experienced teachers of English as a foreign language as of September 1986. Applicants should be willing to teach in a structured, intensive programme which is continually evolving and they are encouraged to contribute ideas and materials. Qualifications:

1. M.A. in TEFL/ESL or Applied Linguistics.
2. A one-year, full-time postgraduate diploma in TEFL or TESL from a recognized university.

Experience: Minimum two years' teaching experience in TEFL/ESL overseas.

Starting Salary: Competitive salaries depending on qualifications and experience. Details at interview time. Salaries free of Saudi taxes.

Additional Benefits:

1. All appointments are both married and single status.
2. Rent free, air conditioned, furnished accommodation. All utilities provided.
3. Gratuity of one month's salary for each year worked, payable on completion of final contract.
4. Two months' paid summer leave each year.
5. Attractive educational assistance grants for school age dependent children.
6. Transportation allowance.
7. Possibility of selection for University's on-going summer programme and evening programme with good additional compensation.
8. Outstanding recreational facilities.
9. Free air transportation to and from Dhahran each year.

Contract: For two years - renewable.

Write for an application form quoting this advertisement and include a complete curriculum vitae (it is vital that you include this information, and only this information, at this stage) to:

DEAN OF FACULTY & PERSONNEL AFFAIRS,
DEPT. UKG/680-01,
UNIVERSITY OF PETROLEUM & MINERALS,
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Teachers of Maths, Science, English, Commerce, Home Economics and Special Education.

Cut out for the Third World?

If you're qualified in any of the following subject areas, your presence is urgently required to teach in the Third World.

Maths/Science. Secondary school posts in the Caribbean, Kenya, Papua New Guinea, Tanzania. Teacher Training in Nepal, Sierra Leone, St. Lucia.

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Commerce and Home Economics. Requests expected from the Caribbean, Sierra Leone & Tanzania.

Special Education. Teachers of the deaf for Ghana, St. Lucia. Teacher of the mentally handicapped for St. Lucia. Teacher of the blind for Thailand.

A professional teaching qualification at the primary or secondary level is required for some posts.

VSO volunteers should be without dependants and willing to work for payments based on local rates. Postings are for two years and most local education authorities should be prepared to consider granting leave of absence.

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OVERSEAS POSTS

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Near Lisbon
Seek enthusiastic staff to introduce 1-3 courses (Senior 'A' level), September vacancies. Also vacancies for Mathematics and Teachers of Geography. Also a vacancy for first school teacher (pupils 4-6 yrs). Ideally a bilingual. For details and application form please send to: Box 10, International Education, 100, Strand, London WC2R 0SA. (0205) 460000

SICILY
Young Graduate required to teach ENGLISH LANGUAGE to Italian students. Apply with full details and references to: THE ACADEMY OF LANGUAGES, Villa XX, S. Maria, 19, Catania, Italy (0954) 460000

SPAIN
Qualified and experienced nursery, infant, junior, secondary teachers for September. Interviews in York in early May. Applications with cv and references to: Mrs. A. Benson, International Education, 100, Strand, London WC2R 0SA. (0205) 460000

SALISBURY
INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGE SERVICES
TEACHING APPOINTMENTS - 1986
TEFL in Sweden. Posts are of 2 types. Type A involves EFL courses. Type B involves full-time TEFL experience and the full RBA TEFL Diploma or equivalent. Type B involves the teaching of General English to adults, with some work in state schools. Candidates must have a minimum of 3 years previous experience in the UK or a Degree and a UK TEFL certificate. Applicants for both types of post must be British and aged between 25 and 40. For further information and application form, send stamped addressed envelope to: Mrs. A. Benson, International Education, 100, Strand, London WC2R 0SA. (0205) 460000

SPAIN
SCIENCE TEACHER
WANTED. Madrid. Dynamic, Min. 5 yrs. exp. integrated science. School starting in new premises. N. Area city. Send full C.V., photo, references, tel. no., Mrs. A. Benson, International Education, 100, Strand, London WC2R 0SA. (0205) 460000

SPAIN
Male TEACHERS OF ENGLISH required for language school. To commence mid-September. For further details contact: Mrs. J. Hughes, 36 Chesterfield Rd., London W2 1JL. Tel: 01-995 8956 (after 4.30 p.m.). (02014) 460000

SPAIN
Growing out of needs several EFL teachers, some to start in 1986, some to start in 1987. Minimum requirement: some sort of EFL qualification, some teaching experience, some knowledge of Spanish. Please send cv to apply if you can't satisfy these minimum requirements. Ability to play/guitar appreciated. Send full C.V. with recent photo, stating when you will be available to start. Oxford House, Apartado 271, St. Ysidro, 108757. 450000

SPAIN
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A prestigious Language School in San Sebastian requires an experienced teacher with suitable qualifications to take charge of the English Department. Spanish Essential. Send full C.V. with references and photograph to: SMC, C/ Consuelo 15-2A, 20014 San Sebastian, Spain. (08553) 460000

SWITZERLAND
OR GEORGE'S SCHOOL
British International boarding school for girls (6-13 years) preparing students for 'O' & university entrance. requires young experienced graduate teacher for E.F.L. as well as subsidiary English in the Sixth Form. London is essential or non-residential. Interviews in London in May. Send full C.V., recent photo and names of referees to: The Principal, St. George's School, 18 St. Clarens. (08555) 460000

TURKEY
SIMSEK SCHOOL
Istanbul
A newly built high school, opening September 1986, requires the following members of staff:
PRINCIPAL - An experienced educational manager to plan and run the whole section of the school.
HEAD OF PREPARATORY DEPARTMENT - General subject teacher with good knowledge of English and Turkish. Ideally computer-aided. Responsible for course construction and co-ordination.
TEACHING STAFF - In-charge of teaching English to 12 year old pupils but also capable of general subjects work at a later stage.
All staff must be well qualified and have experience in British schools. Terms include generous local salary accommodation, return flights.
For further details and an application form, please contact the Recruitment Department, Simsek School, 6-8 Bankville Street, London W11 1JL. Tel: 01-611 02585. 460000

TOKYO
Wanted an experienced teacher of Art with Degree qualifications to teach all ages from 11-13 years. Experience in teaching O.L.A.L. and I.B. programs necessary. Expertise in painting required. Please send C.V. and three references to: The Headmaster, International School of the Sacred Heart, 2-1-1, Roppongi, Minato-ku, Tokyo 106, Japan. Tel: 400 340000 (03555) 460000

TOKYO
Wanted an experienced Infant teacher with Degree qualifications to teach students 4 to 6 years. Please send C.V. and three references to: The Headmaster, International School of the Sacred Heart, 2-1-1, Roppongi, Minato-ku, Tokyo 106, Japan. Tel: 400 340000 (03555) 460000

TURKEY
Qualified and experienced, with strong background in British and American literature, required September for newly forming English department aged 11-13 years. Please send full C.V. with references and photo to: Mrs. A. Benson, International Education, 100, Strand, London WC2R 0SA. (0205) 460000

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This leading bilingual co-educational school requires a teacher of MATHEMATICS and COMPUTER STUDIES for June 1986 for the Senior School preferably with international Baccalaureate experience. Salary approximately £10,000 p.a. in local currency plus housing allowance. Accommodation provided, fares paid. Please apply URGENTLY with cv and 2 references to: Mr. F.J. Smith, British Schools, 100, Strand, London WC2R 0SA. Tel: 01-734 0161. (08730) 460000

VENICE
The International School, Venice invites immediate applications from suitably qualified and experienced primary school teachers for the post of reception class teacher, starting Sept. 1986. Interviews will be held in London at the beginning of May. Please write, with cv and a telephone number, to: The British Centre, 2, MARCO 4567, Venice, Italy. Tel: 041 56612. 460000 (08575) 460000

WEST GERMANY
TEFL teachers required by TSD GmbH. Please see our advertisement under English as a Foreign Language. (02761) 460000

ADMINISTRATION
Local Education Authority

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

County Inspector (Special Educational Needs) (Soulbury Group 9)

Required for September, 1986, to assist the Senior County Inspector for Special Educational Needs with the whole range of work in ordinary and in Special Schools. Applicants should hold additional qualifications in this field and have had successful experience at senior level in schools, or in an LEA advisory service. Application forms and further details are available from (s.a.e. please) the County Education Office, P.O. Box 47, Thredneedle House, Market Road, Chelmsford, CM1 1LD. Telephone: Chelmsford 287222, ext. 2826. Re-advertisement due to extension of closing date.

Teachers Centre Warden (Senior Teacher Scale)

£9,915 - £13,395 plus 1985 pay award
Applications are invited from qualified and experienced candidates in particular from those who have been involved in the professional development of teachers. The post, which will be available from September, 1986, involves the co-ordination and development of locally based in-service activities in the Mid Essex area of the County and to support County initiatives in this field. Further details and application forms available from the Principal Adviser for In-Service Education, County Centre for In-Service Education, 189 Main Road, Broadfield, Chelmsford, Essex, CM1 8EO. (0245 440663). Closing date for the above two posts: 25th April, 1986.



Education Department

SENIOR CAREERS OFFICER (TVEI)

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£8,979 - £9,591 per annum
NORTH AREA CAREERS OFFICE, LOWESTOFT
Applications are invited for this MSC funded post created to give support to the Technical and Vocational Educational Initiative Project in Lowestoft. The post is scheduled to run until 31 March 1988. Prior knowledge of TVEI is not a requirement, but the successful candidate will be expected to contribute to its philosophy, objectives and classroom learning approaches. Applicants, who should be graduates and should hold the Diploma in Careers Guidance, must have had at least two years' experience of working as a careers officer. Relocation expenses are payable where appropriate. Application forms and further details are available from the County Education Officer, Education Department, St Andrew House, Grimwade Street, Ipswich, IP4 1LJ. (s.a.e. please) Closing Date: 28 April 1986

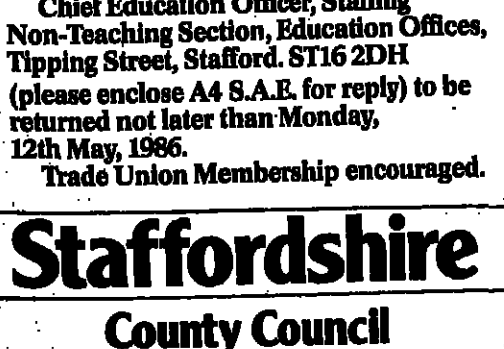
CAREERS OFFICER

Post No. E410
BURY ST EDMUNDS
Scale 4/5 £8,900 - £8,997 per annum
Applications are invited for the post of careers officer in this attractive part of the County. The successful candidate should be a graduate and must hold Part I of the Diploma in Careers Guidance. Training is offered to those recently qualified. Applications are welcomed from students completing Part I of the Diploma in Careers Guidance this year. Applicants must hold a full driving licence. Appropriate mileage and subsistence rates are payable, as are relocation expenses, where appropriate. Internal enquiries will be welcomed and should be made to David Ayton, Area Careers Officer (Tel: Bury St Edmunds (0284) 88463). Application forms and further details are available from the Western Area Education Officer, Shire Hall, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, IP33 2AN (Please enclose a s.a.e.) Closing date: 28 April 1986



Senior County Inspector (Eastern Area)

Salary Scale - Headteacher Group 10/11
(£17,985-£21,168 per annum)
Applications are invited from suitably qualified persons for the post of Senior County Inspector (Eastern Area). The successful applicant is likely to have held a senior post in a school and to have had extensive experience with a Local Authority Inspectorate or Advisory Service. Further particulars and application forms are available from:-
Chief Education Officer, Staffing Non-Teaching Section, Education Offices, Tipping Street, Stafford, ST16 2DH (please enclose A4 S.A.E. for reply) to be returned not later than Monday, 12th May, 1986. Trade Union Membership encouraged.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
PRINCIPAL ADMINISTRATION OFFICER (Further Education): £12,543-£13,578 inc. p.a.

The post-holder will be responsible for administration in the areas of staffing, student matters, curriculum, finance, statistics and the serving of College governing bodies. In addition the postholder will be expected to contribute to the planning development and monitoring of Further Education policy as it affects the Borough. Applicants should have relevant Further Education and/or administrative experience at the appropriate level. Form and further details from Non Teaching Personnel, Regal House, London Road, Twickenham TW1 3QS (01-891 1411, ext. 7518), returnable by 25th April 1986. (4481)

LONDON BOROUGH OF MERTON
EDUCATION & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Chief Inspector (Head Teacher Group 11)

Following the appointment of the previous holder of this post as Director of Education for Hounslow, the Authority is seeking to appoint a well qualified and experienced candidate to lead its team of Inspectors/Advisors and make a significant contribution to the development of the Education Service. Application forms (to be returned by 25th April), and further particulars, are available from the Director of Education & Recreation, Crown House, London Road, Morden, Surrey, SM4 5DX (01-545 3263). (478)

Somerset County Council

Assistant Education Officer (Schools' Review Panel)

Grade: P02
Salary: £11,804 - £12,513 per annum
This important new post provides professional support to, and the servicing of, the Schools Review Panel, which has been set up to consider the schools provision throughout the Authority. Candidates should have a degree or equivalent and teaching or Education administration experience. The post is deemed suitable for a teacher wishing to enter educational administration. Application form and further details available from The Chief Education Officer, Staffing (NT) Section, Education Department, County Hall, Taunton TA1 4DY. (Please provide stamped addressed envelope) Closing date for the receipt of completed application forms is the 25th April 1986. (338)

ADMINISTRATION
L.E.A.
Continued

Education Department

SUBJECT ADVISER FOR EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY

Soulbury Headteacher Group 7
plus London Weighting £878
£14,860 - £16,254 plus Casual User Car Allowance
We are seeking a well qualified teacher for this post within the Advisory Service based at the Teachers' Centre, Queen's Road, Walthamstow, London, E17 8QS. Applicants should be experienced with a wide range of audio visual equipment and have a keen interest in resource-based learning. Please quote ref: G 7603.

Outreach Worker - Young Unemployed Project

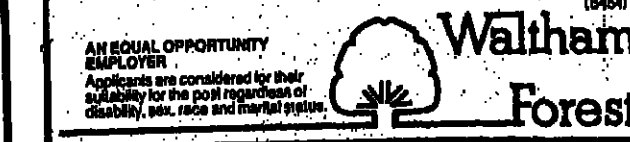
Scale 5 - £8,613 - £9,390 per annum inclusive
The vacancy has arisen due to promotion of the postholder to a more senior post with another Authority. The post involves work with the socially disadvantaged, the educationally least well qualified, as well as ethnic minority young people and aims to establish and maintain helpful contacts. Applications are invited from either qualified Careers Officers with at least one year's experience who are especially interested in working with disadvantaged young people or others with experience in social work, industry or education with proven ability in working with young people. Hours will, of necessity, be flexible and some evening work will be involved. Because of the nature and places of work, and the fact that the Outreach Worker will spend much time alone, the work calls for diplomacy and quick wittedness. A casual user car allowance is payable. Please quote ref. G 7684.

Careers Officer

Scale 5 - £8,613 - £9,390 per annum inclusive
Applications are invited for the above posts. The persons appointed will undertake the full range of Careers Officer duties as members of Area Teams. The Service has recently been restructured in order to be more responsive to the needs of local employers, schools and the unemployed. Applicants should be graduates or equivalent and hold, or expect to obtain, the Diploma in Careers Guidance. The two vacancies have arisen due to promotions to posts with a neighbouring authority. A casual user car allowance is payable. Please quote ref. G 7680.

Trainee Careers Officer

£5,486 - £6,771 p.a. inc.
Applications are invited from men and women who are at least 23 years of age and have had at least one year's experience in suitable employment i.e. industry, commerce, social work, administration or teaching; and who hold a degree or equivalent professional qualification. The successful candidate will be seconded on salary to an approved full-time course of training for Careers Officers. The appointment will be subject to acceptance on to the course, leading to the Diploma in Careers Guidance. Please quote ref. G 7689. Application forms and further details for above four posts from Recruitment Officer, Personnel Dept., Town Hall, Forest Road, London, E17 4JF. Closing date: 25th April 1986. (548)

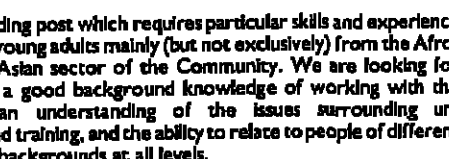


CAREERS SERVICE

Specialist Careers Adviser (Community Centred)

Scale 6 £8,979 - £9,591 p.a. plus £1,138 (L.W. & Supplements)

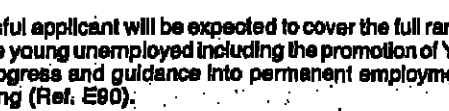
A Specialist Careers Adviser is required to fill a vacant post in the Community Centred Team of six Careers Officers who are taking the Careers Service out into the Community. As a member of the team, you will be working for a forward looking Careers Service with a well established approach to developing Careers work to meet the needs of the local community, clear policies on training, and a firm commitment to the Council's Equal Opportunities Policy. This is a demanding post which requires particular skills and experience in dealing with young adults mainly (but not exclusively) from the Afro-Caribbean and Asian sector of the Community. We are looking for someone with a good background knowledge of working with the unemployed, an understanding of the issues surrounding unemployment and training, and the ability to relate to people of different ethnic/cultural backgrounds at all levels. Applications are invited from professionally qualified Careers Officers with relevant experience who are attracted by the opportunity to participate in a team effort, working in less conventional settings, to develop careers work and offer practical help to meet the needs of people in the local community. The successful applicant will be required to develop strong links with Youth and Community Leaders, local educational institutions, the MSC, and a variety of other agencies catering for the needs of young people. Working hours 35 hours per week. Daily hours to be agreed. Application forms and job descriptions from the Personnel Division, Room 1, Brent Town Hall Annex, Kings Drive, Wembley, Middlesex HA9 9BR returnable by 1st May, telephone 01 903 0371 (24 hour Answerphone service). Reference number E731 must be quoted. (674)



Education Department
CAREERS OFFICER (Unemployment Specialist)
Scale 5 £8,613 - £9,390
Applications are invited from professionally qualified Careers Officers for the above post. Through its team of two centrally funded specialist officers and 1½ careers assistants, Bromley Careers Service has developed an excellent working relationship with the MSC, local Job Centres, managing agents and sponsors. Approximately 800 young people are currently participating in Y.T.S. The successful applicant will be expected to cover the full range of work with the young unemployed including the promotion of Y.T.S. review of progress and guidance into permanent employment or further training (Ref. E90). For further information and an application form please contact Chief Personnel Officer, Bromley Civic Centre, Rochester Avenue, Bromley, BR1 3UH. Tel: 01-290 0324 (24 hour answering service). Closing date: 25th April 1986. (648)

Education Department
CAREERS OFFICER (Unemployment Specialist)

Scale 5 £8,613 - £9,390
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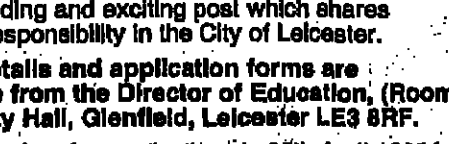
Leicestershire
Area Further Education Officer

(Soulbury Head Teacher - Group 9 - £16,782-£17,112) (pay award pending)
Applications are invited from well experienced and qualified persons in Youth and Community Work for this demanding and exciting post which shares territorial responsibility in the City of Leicester. Further details and application forms are obtainable from the Director of Education, (Room 25), County Hall, Glenfield, Leicestershire LE3 8RF. The closing date for applications is 26th April 1986. (834)



Waltham Forest

AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER
Applications are considered for their suitability for the post regardless of disability, sex, race and marital status.



General Educational Advisers

Harrow welcomes applications from well qualified candidates with flair and substantial and varied experience at a senior level for two new posts in an expanding Advisory Service.

1. General Education Adviser Languages

Soulbury group 8/9

To support work in modern languages, European and non-European, in a racially diverse community and to work with other Advisers in developing a multi-lingual policy throughout the service.

General Educational Adviser Mathematics

Soulbury group 8/9

To support work in mathematics in schools and colleges and to lead a team of ESQ Advisory Teachers; expertise and interest in the use of computers in education would be advantageous.

Salary scale £16,587 - £19,245 inclusive of London Weighting Allowance

Both posts tenable 1 September 1986. Applications from employees of the GLC or MCC, with relevant experience will be welcome.

Further details and application form available from Executive Management Section, Education Department, City Centre, Harrow HA1 2JW (TEL 01-863 5511 Ext 2307/8). Returnable by: 25 April 1986. (6233)

Harrow Education

Assistant Education Officer

(SCHOOLS GENERAL)

Kent Grade 2 £18,924 - £20,469

The administration of the Service in Kent is involved in a major change in its management structures and processes including the reorganisation of local administration to six new and enlarged Areas.

The successful candidate will be responsible for the management of the new Area posts, within the Head Office of the Education Department to be responsible for policy matters relating to the management, curriculum and allocation of pupils to nursery, primary, middle and secondary schools.

Candidates will be expected to have proven experience of management at a senior level in the Education Service, to possess a degree or professional qualification at degree level and preferably to have had teaching experience.

Further particulars and application form returnable by 26 April from the County Education Officer (Ref. G/PI), Education Department, Springfield, Maidstone, Kent ME14 2LJ, telephone: Maidstone (0622) 671411, ext 2481.



COUNTY EDUCATION DEPARTMENT ASSISTANT EDUCATION OFFICER (SITES, BUILDINGS AND DEVELOPMENT BRANCH)

Salary P.O. 9-12 (£14,025 to £15,111)

Applications are invited from candidates with successful teaching and administrative experience for this new post. The person appointed will be particularly involved with the working parties involved in the organisation of primary and secondary education and the development work arising from this. In addition the officer will be expected to take a full role in the work of the branch.

An essential car user allowance is payable and a settling-in allowance of up to £1,200 is available in appropriate cases.

Application forms and further details from the County Education Officer, Staff and Pay Section (Ref. SP/MPH), 22 Northgate Street, Warwick, CV34 4SR, telephone Warwick 493431, ext. 2554. Closing date: Friday, 2nd May, 1986.

WARWICKSHIRE IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES EMPLOYER (6230)

ADMINISTRATION L.E.A. Continued

LONDON BOROUGH OF HAVERING Education Department

PREVENTING DRUGS MISUSE

is the role of the Education Co-ordinator for the prevention of the Mis-use of Drugs. Applicants with experience of either teaching or other relevant work with young people and the motivation to combat this problem are invited to apply.

It is envisaged that the appointment will be for a 2 year period and salary may be within an inclusive range of £8754 - £14,091. Quote ref. Staffing/JAO/287. Closing date 25th April 1986.

For candidates employed by the London Borough of Havering a secondment may be possible.

CAREERS OFFICER

ROMFORD CAREERS OFFICER
Grade APTC Scale 415.
Salary £7,593 - £9,390 p.a.

A qualified Careers Officer is required to carry out the full range of Careers Officer duties. Salary dependent upon qualifications and experience, with a commencing point on Scale 5 (minimum £8,613) for those possessing the Diploma in Careers Guidance or its equivalent. Quote ref. Staffing/JAO/288. Closing date 25th April 1986.

Further details and application forms available from the Director of Educational Services, Mercury House, Romford, Essex, RM1 3DR. Tel: Romford 68999 Ext. 275. (6490)

Education Assistant Director

Applications for this important 4th tier post are sought from qualified experienced professional staff (male or female) to join a new team of officers who are managing and developing the Authority's professional support programmes. Applicants should have managerial, administrative, consultative and financial control skills. Personal attributes will include a commitment to development, flexibility and a capacity to take leadership responsibility.

Relocation expenses where appropriate.

Application forms and further details are available from the Director of Education at County Hall. Closing date 28 April. Please quote ref. A12/AD148.

An Equal Opportunity Employer.



H.M. Hollesley Bay Colony Education Officer

Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced teachers.

Salary Burnham F.E. Head of Department III £14,649 - £16,353 per annum.

Application forms from County Education Officer (Ref. IMM), Education Department, St. Andrew House, Grinwade St., Ipswich, IP4 1LJ. (SAE please).

Closing Date 25 April 1986. (6493)



Cheshire

PRINCIPAL ADVISER (PRIMARY)
£18,159 - £19,509 (Award Pending)
PRINCIPAL ADVISER (SECONDARY)
£18,159 - £19,509 (Award Pending)

Duties in both posts include leadership of a team of six Advisers for Primary/Secondary respectively, and responsibility for Primary/Secondary schools, and respectively in one of the County's six districts. Both vacancies due to retirement.

Closing date: 30th April, 1986.

ADVISER FOR PRIMARY EDUCATION
£15,792 - £18,141 (Award Pending)

Duties include responsibility for Primary Schools in a district, for part of the County's in-service programme, and for multi-cultural issues in Primary schools. Current post holder has become a District Education Officer in the County.

Closing date: 22nd April, 1986.

ADVISER FOR MICROELECTRONICS/INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY/COMPUTER EDUCATION
£15,792 - £18,141 (Award Pending)

This is a new post. Candidates should have an all round vision of education, experience of using computer technology in a variety of educational contexts, and recent involvement in some of these areas: classroom teaching in schools and preferably further education, in-service education, initial training of teachers, advisory work.

Closing date: 22nd April, 1986.

All these posts are available from September 1986 or as soon as possible thereafter.

Application forms and further particulars available from The Director of Education, Cheshire County Council, County Hall, Chester. Tel: Chester 602326.

All applicants will be considered on the basis of suitability for the posts, regardless of sex, race, marital status, religion or disability. (6240)

DIRECTORATE OF EDUCATION

CAREERS OFFICER

Salary: Scale 5 - range £8,613 to £9,390 per annum inclusive

Applications are invited for the post of qualified Careers Officer who must be in possession of, or likely to obtain, the Diploma in Careers Guidance or its equivalent.

The successful applicant will undertake the full range of duties in the Careers Service, including advisory work in Schools, work with employers and work under the Youth Training Scheme.

Many aspects of the Careers Service work are computerised and therefore an interest in computer systems is necessary, although training will be given. The Bexley Careers Centre is situated in the centre of Bexleyheath and forms part of the new Civic Offices development. It is a modern up-to-date office and has 16 Careers Officers and 10 Support Staff.

Application forms are obtainable from the Educational Services Secretary, Directorate of Education, Town Hall, Crayford, Kent DA1 4EN. Tel: 01-303 7777 Ext. 842/843. Closing date 25th April, 1986.

Applications from employees of the GLC and MCC's with relevant experience would be welcome. This post carries a Casual Car User Allowance. (6428)



Oxfordshire County Council

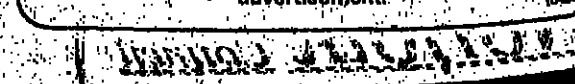
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT CAREERS SERVICE

Salary within the Scale: £4773 - £8756

(Graduates can expect to start at a minimum of £5766)

Applications are invited from candidates over the age of 22 to be seconded on salary, plus approved expenses, to a one-year course of training commencing in September 1986, leading to the Diploma in Careers Guidance. Some preference may be given to individuals who have already obtained a place on a course starting in the Autumn of 1986.

Further details and application forms are obtained from the Assistant Education Officer (Careers), Education Department, Maclefield House, New Road, Oxford, OX1 1NA. (Tel. no. Oxford 815272). Completed forms, together with a supporting letter of application should be returned within two weeks of the appearance of this advertisement. (6438)



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ADMINISTRATION - LEA

SEFTON METROPOLITAN BOROUGH OFFICE
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
RESOURCES ADVISORY SERVICE
PRINCIPAL CAREERS OFFICER

£15,885 - £14,055. Following the recent retirement of Mr. A. D. Dwyer, applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced candidates for this key post of Principal Careers Officer located at the Town Hall, Sefton. The successful applicant will be responsible for the control of the Careers Advisory Service.

The post is graded P.O. 6, salary scale £15,885 - £14,055 and a casual car user allowance is payable.

Application forms and further details are available from the Chief Education Officer, Town Hall, Sefton, Merseyside, L40 1AE on receipt of i.t.s. Closing date: 25th April 1986. (08810)

Bradford is an equal opportunity employer and welcomes applications from candidates of both sexes, race or disability, unless otherwise stated. (08585) 480000

Directorate of Education and Recreation

We are seeking graduates with teaching and management experience at a senior level to fill the following posts in the Directorate. Candidates must have proven leadership qualities, a record of achievement and be able to contribute and stimulate a fresh approach and solutions to the changing demands and needs facing the Service.

HEAD OF SCHOOLS DIVISION/ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Up to £22,776 p.a. *

To manage and review the schools provision in the Authority.

HEAD OF CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT & MONITORING/ ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Up to £22,375 p.a. *

To manage and review curriculum development and monitoring in the Authority's establishments.

* Following the filling of these posts, responsibility for co-ordinating the work of the Directorate in the Director's absence will be allocated to one of five posts of Assistant Director. An additional payment of £1,000 per annum is payable in this respect.

Application forms and further particulars available from the Director of Personnel and Administration, Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames, Surrey KT1 1EU. Tel: 01-546 2121 Ext. 2215 (Answerphone). Closing Date: 25th April, 1986.

ROYAL BOROUGH OF KINGSTON UPON THAMES

WYMONDHAM COLLEGE COLLEGE BURSAR

£13,507 p.a.

Wyndham College is a secondary all ability co-educational boarding school with an excellent all round record of achievement. It is just outside the pleasant market town of Wyndham and 14 miles south of the attractive Cathedral City of Norwich. The "Broads" and the Norfolk coast are within easy reach.

It is planned to remodel the College's accommodation while undergoing a number of other important changes to improve its cost effectiveness and efficiency.

As the manager and administrator of the non-academic part of the College responsible to the Headteacher and the Governing Body, the successful candidate will be expected to achieve many of the changes required, systematically and patiently.

Applicants, male or female, should be mature, competent and numerate managers who will enjoy handling changes in the local government situation while contributing to the general community life of the school. Essential is a good general education to 'A' Level standard preferably backed by a professional management/business studies qualification.

The salary package includes a payment for residential duties, residence is a requirement of the post (rent payable for four bedrooms accommodation), the post is pensionable and suitable secondary age children of the person appointed may attend the College as day pupils.

Application forms and further details from R. J. Philpott, Senior Personnel Officer (Education), County Hall, Marneau Lane, Norwich NR1 2DL, returnable by 25th April 1986.



We are an EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES EMPLOYER and welcome applications from candidates of any age, disability, marital status, race or sex. (6491)

SUFFOLK

COUNCIL
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
ADVISORY TEACHER FOR EDUCATIONAL DRAMA

Required from September 1986, an experienced teacher of DRAMA to develop school-based drama work in all areas of the county. The successful candidate will have a wide knowledge of non-academic drama and experience in the use of drama in primary, secondary and special schools. A particular interest in language development through drama would be an advantage.

The Advisory Teacher would be based at the Area Education Office, Shire Hall, Bury St. Edmunds and would be responsible for the English and Drama Advisory Team for the County.

Application forms and further details available from the Area Education Office, Shire Hall, Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk IP8 5JF. (Stamped addressed envelope, please) to which they should be returned by 25th April, 1986. (089067) 480000

Administration General

LONDON WC1

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TEACHERS IN FURTHER EDUCATION

Requires at its Head Office in the Kings Cross/Covent Garden area an ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT to work in the Association's Welfare Department. Salary £9,837 p.a. gross, grossing by 9% for pension and 5% for superannuation to £11,565 p.a. gross max.

Intending applicants should hold a degree or equivalent qualification or have relevant experience in trade union work or educational administration.

The principal responsibilities will involve advising members and officials on salary and related issues, assisting in the servicing of the main Salaries Committee and the Burnham FE Committee, and conducting research related to policy formation for the Department. There will also be some involvement in the Association's training programme for members.

32½ hour week, 20 days leave, LVs, pension scheme.

Please write for application form and job description to: Recruitment, NATEF, Hamilton House, Mabledon Place, London WC1E 8HB. Closing date is 1st May 1986. (08978) 500000

ASSISTANT TRUST ADMINISTRATOR

Long established but fast growing City-based Charitable Trust serving the Inner London area, seeks an assistant to deal particularly with individual young people seeking financial support for studies; training and also to attend meetings and undertake other administrative tasks within the organisation.

Applicants (preferred age 35-45) should be experienced in working with young people and be up-to-date with educational needs and developments.

Salary on scale starting £21,000; 32½ hour week; 26 days annual holiday; free pension and medical insurance subject to completion of satisfactory initial periods of service.

Applications with full C.V. and details of relevant experience to:

WALTER JUDD LIMITED (ref 738). (Incorporated Practitioners in Advertising), 1a Bow Lane, London EC4M 9EJ.

GATESHEAD METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION (RESOURCES)

Salary: £18,809 - £19,928 (subject to review)

Applications are invited for this important post which entails as first deputy in the Education Department who assumes overall responsibility for the work of the Department in the absence of the Director. The successful applicant is expected to take up duty on 1st September 1986.

The general duties of the post are to have managerial responsibility for the administrative work of the Department. Specific responsibilities relate to the resources, personnel matters and the co-ordination of the servicing of the relevant committees. A second Deputy Director is responsible for curriculum matters and both Deputies work closely with the Director in the overall management of the Service.

Applicants should be graduates with teaching experience, who have had substantial administrative experience in an education department at a local education authority. Managerial skills are an essential attribute for the successful discharge of the duties of the post.

Application forms are available from the Director of Personnel and Management Services, 7th Floor, Aldon House, Tyngate Precinct, Sunderland Road, Gateshead, NE8 3EL. (Telephone: (081) 4770812), returnable by 30th April 1986.

WE ARE AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES EMPLOYER and welcome applications from candidates of any age, disability, marital status, race or sex. (6491)

PWYLLGOR DATBLYGU
CWRS ADDYSG YSGOLION
PWYLLOR CYMRU



Swyddog Project

Deunydd Dysgu Cymraeg

Mae angen Swyddog Project i fod yn gyfrifol am ddarparu deunydd dysgu Cymraeg (lath gytfa) i ysgolion uwchradd, Blwyddyn 1-5. Trefnir y project gan y PDCA, Caerdydd, trwy gymorth grant gan y Swyddfa Gymreig ac mewn cydwelchrediad ag Adran Addysg Coleg Prifysgol Cymru, Aberystwyth.

Bydd y gwaith yn cynnwys ymweld â grwpiau o athrawon, golygu gwaith a gomhlynydd, ychydig ysgirfennu gwreiddiol e.e. Nodiadau Athrawon, a pharatoi deunydd ar gyfer all gyhoeddus recordio.

Disgwylir i'r ymgelydd llywyddannus feddu ar y canlynol:

proffad dysgu perthnasol a llywyddannus gwybodaeth o'r datblygiadau diweddaraf yn y maes gallu i gydwelthio ag athrawon ac addysgwyr eraill

Penodir y Swyddog Project am gynfod o ddwy flynedd yn y lle cyntaf (o Fedi 1986) gyda'r posibilrwydd o gynfod pellach. Disgwylir i'r ymgelydd llywyddannus gaelio am seconddad ar y cyflog presennol ynghyd â lhwms. Ar y llaw arall, gallir cynnig cyflog rhwng £9,000 a £14,500 yn ôl proffad a chyllog presennol.

Am furlflen gais a manylion pellach anfonwch at:

PDCA (Pwyllgor Cymru), Swyddfa 2, Adellau'r Castell, Stryd Womanby, CAERDYDD CF1 9SX.

Dyddiad cau - Ebrill 30, 1986.

This is an advertisement for a Project Officer for an SCDC (Committee for Wales) project to develop Welsh teaching material. (6414)

National Writing Project

Project Officer

A major three-year project on children's writing has been established by the School Curriculum Development Committee. A Project Officer is required to join the existing team for the final two years of the project (1st September 1986 - 31st August 1988).

Candidates should have:

- experience of curriculum development in schools
- knowledge of current theory and developments in writing
- an overview of the curriculum 5-16
- ability to write and lecture clearly and fluently

Salary: £12,345 - £15,166 (inclusive of London Weighting). Alternatively, the successful candidate may wish to apply for secondment on present salary plus an allowance.

Application forms and further details from Admin Team, SCDC. Tel: 01-229 1234, ext. 292/3. Closing date: 1st May, 1986. (6473)

INSPECTOR - PRE VOCATIONAL and CONTINUING EDUCATION

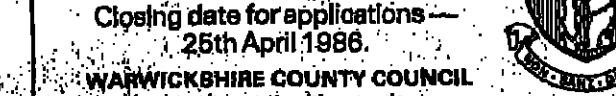
Salary: £18,255 - £19,683 (SOULBURY GROUP 10)

The postholder will be required to play a major role in the planning, development co-ordination and evaluation of N.A.F.E. and in new developments relating to 14-18 educational provision.

Further details and application forms are available from the County Education Officer, 22 Northgate Street, Warwick CV34 4SR. Tel: 0926 49431

Ext. 2415. Closing date for applications - 25th April 1986.

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Red House School, Tadworth, Surrey.

£4,773 - £7,167 p.a. (Plus £315 London Allowance if non-resident)

Required for 39 hours per week, to complete a team of five Officers caring for boys aged 8-16 years, who have emotional and behavioural problems.

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Application forms obtainable from the Personnel Office, Room A/204, Town Hall Annex, New Broadway, Ealing W5 2BY. Tel: 01-840 1895 (24 hour service). Please quote appropriate reference.

Closing date: 30.4.86

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London Borough
Educational Psychologists**HAMPSHIRE**

AREA SENIOR EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGIST
SOUTH WEST AREA
PSYCHOLOGIST GROUP 5
£14,664 - £15,965

A vacancy will arise on 1st September 1986 for a fully qualified and experienced Educational Psychologist to join a team of 4 Psychologists and be responsible for coordinating the work of the School Psychological Service in the South West.

Candidates will have substantial experience as a basic or senior Psychologist.

Application forms and further information available in writing enclosing an A4 or B5 envelope to: The Education Department, Winchester 54411, Ext. 458, Education Department, Winchester SO26 6UD, quoting post number CE 01/035. Returnable no later than 28th April 1986. (094444) 560000

HUMBERSIDE

COUNTY COUNCIL
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
PART-TIME EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGIST
Salary Range: £19,374 up to a maximum of £16,354 per annum

Applications are invited for a temporary part-time post of Educational Psychologist in the Schools Psychological Service.

Candidates should have an Honours Degree in Psychology and a Post Graduate qualification in educational psychology.

The post is for two-fifths and is to cover for an existing member of the team who is leaving on a sabbatical.

The funding of this project is for three years. The work will be varied and interesting, involving liaison with schools, colleges, and other professionals.

The post is based in Beverley for the East Riding Division. An appropriate car mileage allowance will be payable.

Informal enquiries may be made by telephoning (0453) 563948.

To obtain application forms please request an enclosed stamped addressed envelope from the Director of Education, Staffing Section, County Hall, North Street, Beverley HU17 9BA, to be returned no later than 25th April 1986. (0453) 560000

**EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICE****SENIOR EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGISTS
(2 POSTS)**

Salary: £15,909 - £17,319 p.a.

Applications are invited from fully qualified and suitably experienced Educational Psychologists for two additional posts of Senior Educational Psychologist. Each will be responsible for a team serving one of the four education areas in the County. One post will relate to the Western Education Area (Chichester, Midhurst, Bognor Regis) and the other to the Mid-Sussex Education Area (Horsham, Haywards Heath, Burgess Hill).

Informal enquiries may be made to Mr K T Pickup, Principal Educational Psychologist on Chichester 777764.

Application form and further details available from Director of Education, Personnel Section, Education Department, County Hall, Chichester, PO19 1RF or by telephoning Mrs C Viger on Chichester 777763.

Closing date: 30 April 1986

west sussex
CAMBRIDGESHIRE**Education Department****School Psychological Service**

Post 1: Educational Psychologist, full time, permanent post, based in Huntingdon. 50% of the work will be in the Huntingdon Area and the remainder in other parts of the County. It is intended that the postholder will either be able to undertake specific tasks of a county-wide nature or, enable colleagues to do so.

Post 2: Educational Psychologist, full time temporary post, based in Peterborough. The post will be for 12 months from 1st September 1986 to cover the secondment of present postholder.

Salary: (both posts) Southbury Scale £9,639 - £16,254 depending upon age and experience.

Full details and application forms from Mrs B. Rowlandson, Shire Hall, Castle, MK23 1JL, Cambridge, Tel: (0223) 317920.

Closing date 30th April 1986

(0223)

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EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGIST (2 posts)

Benton and Steinfeld, Southbury QF 4-9 - NY 7-4 58,884 - £16,254

Applications are invited for the above posts. One of these is a vacancy in an established post, the other is a newly established post.

Qualifications: Honours Degree in Psychology, Teaching Qualification plus a minimum of two years teaching experience; recognised post-graduate qualification in educational psychology.

It is hoped that the successful applicants will take up the appointments not later than 1st September 1986. Interviews will be held on 12th May 1986.

Lincolnshire is a pleasant County with a mixture of town and rural areas. Relationships are generally good between the LEA Psychological Service and other sections of the Education Department, Schools and other Agencies.

The LEA Psychological Service has recently undergone some internal re-organisation and the persons appointed will be part of a team of ten educational psychologists and one Principal Educational Psychologist. There is a close and direct access to the Principal Educational Psychologist and encouragement to develop special interests and new ideas.

The restructuring of the Education Department has been finalised recently and some changes in service delivery by the LEA Psychological Service will take place over the course of the next few months.

Relocation expenses are reimbursable in appropriate cases.

For informal enquiries please contact Mrs. P. E. Fraser, Principal Educational Psychologist, County Offices, Lincoln LN1 1YL. Telephone Lincoln (0522) 26931 ext. 3350 or 3355.

Application forms and further details are available from the County Personnel Officer, County Offices, Lincoln LN1 1YL. Telephone Lincoln (0522) 24482. (24 hour answer service). Please quote E3831. Closing date: 22nd April 1986. (E3831)


Lincolnshire
County Council
Examiners**THE ASSOCIATED EXAMINING BOARD**

The Board invites applications for the post of ASSISTANT CHIEF EXAMINER (ACCOUNTING) at ADVANCED LEVEL for the 1988 examinations.

Applicants should have a degree or equivalent qualification in Accounting, a minimum of four years recent relevant teaching experience and experience of external examining.

Further information and application forms may be obtained from The Secretary General (A21), The Associated Examining Board, Stag Hill House, Guildford, GU9 5XJ, to whom completed forms should be returned no later than two weeks from the date of this advertisement. (09497) 600000

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for the GCSE examination**

East Anglian Examinations Board
London Regional Examinations Board
University of London School Examinations Board

General Certificate of Secondary Education

**APPOINTMENT OF
CHIEF EXAMINERS**

Applications are invited for the following Chief Examiner appointments for June 1988 and, where appropriate, the following winter examinations. Applicants should be graduates or hold appropriate qualifications and should be under 65 with five years recent teaching experience. Examining experience is essential. Application forms and further details may be obtained from the addresses indicated below to which completed application forms should be returned by 7 May 1986.

Astronomy German French
Garnier Italian
Motor Vehicle Studies Photography
Russian Spanish

Details from: The Secretary, East Anglian Examinations Board, 'The Lindens', Lexden Road, Colchester, CO3 3RL

Arithmetic Building Studies Catering
Food and the Community
Office Technology and Communications
Statistics

Details from: The Secretary, London Regional Examinations Board, Lyon House, 104 Wandsworth High Street, London SW18 4LP

Archaeology Biology, Syllabus C (Nuffield Style)
Dance

Details from: The Secretary, University of London School Examinations Board, Stewart House, (Room 215), 32 Russell Square, London WC1B 6DN

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EXAMINATIONS BOARD IN ASSOCIATION WITH**

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University of Oxford Delegacy of Local Examinations
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Examination for the Certificate of Extended Education
The Board invites applications for the following appointment:

Chief Examiner from June 1986

Mathematics with Applications

Applicants should be graduates or hold appropriate qualifications and should be under 65 with five years recent teaching experience. Examining experience is essential.

Chief Examiners' duties include setting question papers, and advising on the award of grades.

For application forms and further details write to The Secretary, University of London School Examinations Board, Stewart House, (Room 215), 32 Russell Square, London WC1B 6DN. Applicants should enclose a self-addressed, foolscap envelope. Completed application forms should be returned by 7 May 1986.

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CHIEF MODERATORS**

The Northern Examining Association is appointing Chief Examiners, Chief Moderators, etc. for the 1988 GCSE examination during 1986. In some subjects appointments for the 1987 Joint O-level/CSE examination on the same syllabus are also being made.

The NEA comprises one GCE board, JMB, and four CSE boards: ALSEB, NREB, NWREB and YHREB.

Applicants should be under 60, with five recent years' teaching experience and at least three years' examining/moderating experience, preferably at a senior level.

Applications are invited now for the appointments listed:

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BIOLOGY: three appointments.

BIOLOGY (HUMAN AND SOCIAL): three appointments.

DANCE: one appointment.

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES: one appointment.

FRENCH: four appointments.

GERMAN: four appointments.

HISTORY AND APPRECIATION OF MUSIC: one appointment.

MARINE NAVIGATION: one appointment.

MODERN HEBREW: one appointment.

MUSIC: one appointment.

PANJABI: one appointment.

POLISH: one appointment.

SCIENCE (DUAL AWARD): three appointments.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIETY: one appointment.

SEAMANSHIP: one appointment.

SPANISH: four appointments.

STATISTICS: three appointments.

UKRAINIAN: one appointment.

URDU: one appointment.

CHIEF MODERATORS

ART AND DESIGN: eight appointments.

COMMERCE: one appointment.

CRAFT AND DESIGN: METALWORK: one appointment.

CRAFT AND DESIGN: WOODWORK: one appointment.

ECONOMICS: one appointment.

EUROPEAN STUDIES: one appointment.

HISTORY AND APPRECIATION OF ART AND DESIGN: one appointment.

INDUSTRY AND SOCIETY: one appointment.

INTEGRATED HUMANITIES: six appointments.

KEYBOARD COMMUNICATION: one appointment.

MARINE NAVIGATION: one appointment.

MEDIA STUDIES: one appointment.

MOTOR VEHICLE ENGINEERING: one appointment.

OFFICE STUDIES: one appointment.

RURAL SCIENCE: one appointment.

SEAMANSHIP: one appointment.

Further details (including closing date for applications) and application forms may be obtained from:

NEA Examiner Appointments, John Matriculation Board, Manchester, M15 6BU.

Other appointments will be advertised later.


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EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced persons for the post of Co-ordinator for Drug Education. The post will have specific responsibility for providing Drug Education to all the City's educational establishments, including primary, secondary and special schools and further education colleges. Advice and support for other staff including youth workers and Education Social Workers.

The successful candidate will need to demonstrate a high degree of initiative and enthusiasm, plus an ability to liaise with a wide range of statutory and voluntary organisations.

Funding for this post is through Education Support Grant and the Education Department will be for a period of two years. An appointment from an existing post will be considered.

For further verbal information please contact Mrs. A. Sheldon, Chief Education Officer, Tel: 021-255 3447.

Application forms (returnable by 9th May 1986) and further information available from The Chief Education Officer, 11, Education Branch, 11, Education Office, Margaret Street, Birmingham B2 8BU.

Applications from applicants with relevant experience will be welcome. (0525) 660000

OLDHAM METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL EDUCATION COMMITTEE

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The successful candidate should presently hold a senior post in primary school and have experience of leadership and organisation of resources. Experience of primary school curriculum development, primary science development and an interest in working in multi-cultural schools and open situations. The teachers will be expected to work with children of all ages within the primary range.

Wide, successful primary experience is required. Candidates should have a child centred philosophy based on individual learning. The successful candidates should have experience of informal classroom organisation, experience of integrated work and an interest in working in multi-cultural schools and open situations. The teachers will be expected to work with children of all ages within the primary range.

Application forms/ further details (see) from the Director of Education, Old Town Hall, Middleton Road, Chadderton, Oldham OL9 6AP returnable to him by 25th April 1986.

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WESTSUSSEX INSTITUTE OF HIGHER EDUCATION (Incorporating Bishop Otter College, Chichester and Bournemouth College)

Applications are invited from qualified and experienced teachers with recent school experience for postgraduate teacher training and in-service education of teachers.

Details from 1st September 1986. The special areas of interest are in teaching in the 5-8 age range, Art in the Primary School and Mathematics in the Primary or Secondary School. The appointment will be for 9 months (first instance or in certain circumstances may be on a part-time basis).

Salary will be on a scale of £11,000 to £14,000 per annum according to experience. The Institute subscribes to a policy of equality in its employment practices.

Further details of the Institute and application forms available from the Director of Education, West Sussex Institute of Higher Education, 20 Boms, Upper Bognor Road, Bognor Regis, Sussex PO21 1UR. Tel: Bognor Regis (02438) 660000

**PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION
OF TEACHERS**

The Association seeks to appoint a

**DEPUTY GENERAL
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The Professional Association of Teachers began its life at the beginning of the seventies as a small organisation of teachers opposed in principle to the use of industrial action in schools as a negotiating weapon. Refusal to strike under any circumstances remains a condition of membership.

Membership now stands at more than 40,000. Since the beginning of the eighties, the Association has been represented on the Burnham Committee and the Scottish Joint Negotiating Committee.

The Association constantly explores ways of securing teachers' best interests by methods which do not involve the disruption of schools. For example, we were the prime movers in bringing about referral of the 1985/6 teachers' pay dispute in England and Wales to ACAS.

The post of Deputy General Secretary is a new one. The successful applicant will be someone with wide experience of education in one or more of the following fields: school teaching, college lecturing, educational administration, education politics. A high level of commitment to the Association's philosophy is a fundamental requirement.

The salary offered will be at least £20,000 per annum at the outset. A car will be provided, with generous associated benefits; the Association provides an excellent pension scheme for its executives; removal expenses will be met.

Letters of application, together with any other documents candidates wish to submit, should reach the address given below by Friday 2 May. Please nominate two referees and mark your envelope 'Deputy General Secretary'.

Professional Association of Teachers
**99 Friar Gate
DERBY DE1 1EZ**

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This completely new project is funded for a pilot period of three years by the Welsh Office, Mid and South Glamorgan Education Authorities, the British Film Institute, Welsh Arts Council, the Calcutta Gulbenkian Foundation, and the Polytechnic of Wales. It will be based on the site of Chapter Arts Centre in Cardiff.

Four co-workers with experience in arts, education, media or related fields are now sought for the following posts:

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Research and Publications Officer
to create a media library and to research and produce a programme of publications.

Link Officer
to liaise with education and community organisations for the MEI and to co-ordinate screening programmes.

Projects Officer
to devise and implement practical projects in film, video, design and photography in line with MEI policies.
Salary for each post will be £9,000 per annum with 26 days paid annual leave. Full details and application forms from: Neil Wallace, Chief Executive, Chapter, Market Road, Canton, Cardiff CF5 1QE. Tel: 0222 398001. Deadline for applications: April 25. Interviews: May 1, 2, 3.

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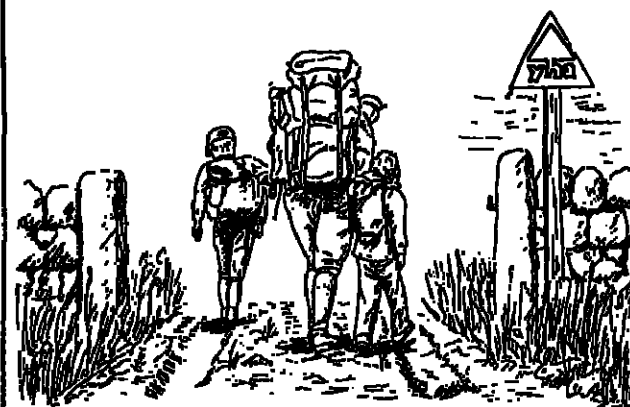
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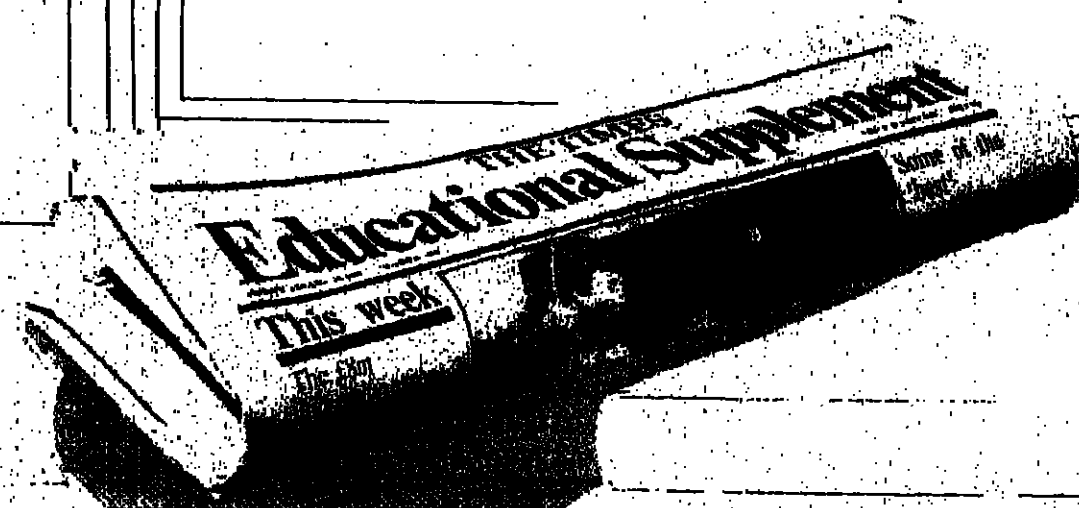
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